



*100th Anniversary*

Rockingham County

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ANNUAL REPORT OF

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

FOR THE YEAR 1955

HISTORY OF THE OLDEST COUNTY  
IN NEW HAMPSHIRE



## *An Invitation*

*Your County Commissioners cordially invite you to attend and assist them in celebrating the completion of 100 years of County Government established in 1856.*

*This first and oldest county in New Hampshire — Rockingham — was incorporated March 19, 1771.*

*On Sunday, June 3rd. 1956 from 2 to 4 P.M. at the County Home in Brentwood there will be a band concert, speaking, refreshments. Remember the date. Watch for newspaper and radio announcements.*

*This is your County — plan to attend.*

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*John W. A. Green — 49 years Register of Deeds — longest in point of service in New England; also, Frank Nay, Register of Probate; Simes Frink, Sheriff; Lindsey R. Brigham, Solicitor; Winston H. Lothrop, Treasurer; and Commissioners Albert G. Fuller, Ira A. Brown, and Alvin E. Foss.*

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John W. A. Green — 10 years Register of Deeds —  
born in 1874; died in 1954; married; 2 sons; 1 daughter;  
son, Robert W. Green, born 1904; died 1954; son,  
W. H. Green, born 1908; died 1954; daughter, Mrs. J. W. Green,  
born 1912; died 1954.

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# Rockingham County Has Long History Of Public Service

*(The following historical review of Rockingham County is a reprint of a feature article published by the Hampton Union and Rockingham County Gazette and is reprinted here by special permission of the newspaper publishers.)*

In a quiet, remote, almost obscured section of Brentwood is found one of Rockingham county's most valuable and serviceable as well as humanitarian institutions — the Rockingham County Home, Hospital and House of Correction.

Yet, sadly enough, despite the immeasurably valuable services offered at the institution with its improved but still insufficient facilities and a staff dedicated whole-heartedly and sympathetically to the health, welfare and personal interests of each inmate, the Brentwood establishment receives far too meager credit for its efforts.

The county institute, for one thing, is deserving of much more support and encouragement from citizens of Rockingham county, not solely in the terms of dollars and cents but in the cultivation of a better understanding of the Home's functions.

The true and complete picture of daily operations at the administration office, hospital, homes, infirmaries, jail cell blocks, farm lands, fields and utility buildings cannot be depicted in the columned figures that appear in the Rockingham county annual report.

The Brentwood retreat is made up of much more than inanimate inventory and financial statements. It has a heart and soul. The score sheet of its year to year struggle, existence and improvement is marked with endeavors, labors, joyful successes and heart-breaking disappointments.

One would guess, and rightly so, that the man at the helm of this county haven operation would need have unexhaustible energy, undying fortitude, unsurpassed character and blessed with a tender heart as well as being endowed with an abundance of native intelligence.

Upon learning that the present superintendent is completing his 18th year at the County Home one would expect him to be a white-haired, work-aged gentleman with shoulders bent from the weight of worries and responsibilities of nearly two decades at Brentwood.



What a surprise awaits a visitor when, upon entering the institution's administration office, a serious-eyed, but smiling youthful and athletic-looking man with his jet black hair in a crew cut extends his hand to greet you.

Superintendent of the County Home George W. Hilton, the man in charge of the whole works, is pleasant and sincere as he warmly welcomes visitors aboard.

Leading the way through a neat and efficient-appearing front office Mr. Hilton usually takes his guests to an inner room where one may see a woman busily occupied with a stack of records or correspondence before her.

In the ensuing introduction you learn that the lady with the friendly smile, looking a young 40, is named Mrs. Dorothy Hilton, wife of the superintendent. She holds an official title of her own at Brentwood, that of Matron.

Along with fulfilling her assignments as Matron and lending a hand as one of her husband's most capable assistants, Mrs. Hilton each day must do her own housework at their residence nearby as well as carrying out a mother's duties for her two sons.

Winthrop, the older, is a junior at Exeter High while Richard attends grammar school.

If your call at Brentwood should happen to fall on a Wednesday morning, chances are you would see the three Rockingham County Board of Commissioners, supervisors of the home, seated around the conference table in their regular weekly meeting.

They would be Ira A. Brown of Portsmouth, Alvin E. Foss of East Kingston and Albert Fuller of Fremont.

Outside, through the large windows, could be seen neat, sturdy barns and further in the distance some farm machinery near fields that yield a splendid annual crop for the institution's use.

It is good farm land. That fact was realized back in 1868 when a committee from the county convention was authorized to purchase a farm in some central spot of the county to house the poor from surrounding towns.

However, before the county home came to be established, a prolonged evolutionary phase of state government had to be passed through.

Its beginning history dates back to 1771 when the Province of New Hampshire had been operated as a single unit.

It was at the General Assembly held April 29, 1769 in Portsmouth that an act was passed dividing the Province of New Hampshire into five counties for the better administration of justice, government, etc. The names selected for the five coun-



COUNTY OFFICIALS, left to right, Ira Brown, Albert Fuller, Commissioners; Mrs. Hilton, Supt. Hilton and Commissioner Alvin Foss, are caught during a weekly meeting when affairs of the Home are discussed.

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ties were Rockingham, Strafford, Hillsborough, Cheshire and Grafton.

This act was approved by King George III, March 19, 1771.

By an act of the General Court, 20 years later, February 15, 1791, each town was given the authority to provide a house of correction for work houses in which to set the poor to work.

It also authorized each town at any one of its legal meetings, to raise money for the purchase or construction of necessary buildings for this purpose.

Also this same act placed under the Court of General Sessions the authority to build, or otherwise provide in each town, at the county's expense, a convenient house of correction with proper accommodations thereunto adjoining, to be used for the keeping and correcting of rogues, vagabonds, common beggars, lewd, idle and disorderly persons.

Included in the act was a section stating that the town poor were to be employed in these establishments.



With the General Court given the authority to establish rules, orders and regulations necessary for governing the town houses, it was provided that no punishment should be inflicted by any such regulations except that of hard labor.

It was at the February 21, 1794 meeting of the legislature that the title of the Court of General Sessions was changed to that of the Court of Common Pleas. However the powers and duties of that body remained virtually unchanged.

The Legislature, at its June 12, 1812 session, established the County Convention to be composed of the House of Representatives of each county. At that time the duty of levying taxes for the county was taken away from the Court of Common Pleas and given to the said County Convention.

Prior and during this time with each town caring for its own poor and delinquent, the town selectmen or overseers of the poor in each community had charge of all persons needing assistance.

Often, towns were besieged with an overflow of inmates as the Legislature, at various times, enacted laws which greatly increased the number classed as county poor.

The system of allowing each town to care for the poor within its boundaries led to some evils, and at times got out of control.

Soon town management of its own unfortunates became too expensive and a move was prompted in the state for the erection of county homes to be centrally located where the large and growing group of poor could be better provided.

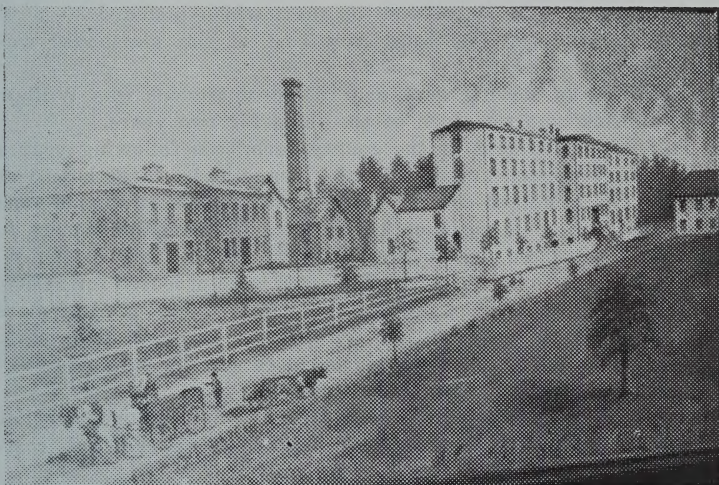
It wasn't until December 16, 1838, however, that any significant move was made in this direction. The Legislature at that time passed a law authorizing the Court of Common Pleas to provide necessary county lands and buildings for the accommodations, support and employment of the poor who were chargeable to the county. The law also provided for the erection and establishment of a house of correction.

In the interim between the law authorizing the establishing of a county home with a house of correction and the actual purchase of such in Rockingham county, the County Commissioner posts were created.

Meeting Independence Day, July 4, 1855, the Legislature originated the offices of County Commissioners, placing in their hands the general affairs of the county which, up to that moment, had been in the jurisdiction of the Court of Common Pleas.

The first election of County Commissioners under this law came a year later on the second Tuesday, March, 1856. At that





AN OLD PAINTING, hanging in the reception room of the Administration building at Brentwood, recalls the late 1800's when an insane asylum, right, was also part of the County Farm.

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time, in the naming of the three commissioners, one would be elected to serve one year, another for two years and the third for a three-year term. Each year after, one commissioner would be elected for a three-year term.

The first three elected commissioners had to draw lots to see the length of terms each was to serve. It wasn't until the 1877 meeting of the Legislature that the term of office for the county commissioners was changed to a biennial election, the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, with the term being changed to a two-year service.

In June, 1868 — 30 years after the establishment of a legislative law authorizing the Court of Common Pleas to provide county homes — a firm, definite step was taken to fulfill that measure.

Finally, the Rockingham County Convention, in its June, 1868 session, empowered the purchase of a farm and the erection of suitable buildings to accommodate 250 inmates.

The joint building committee, after considering several potential spots, finally selected the Thyng farm, so called, in Brentwood. There were about 160 acres in the purchase of the original farm situated about two and one-half miles from the Epping depot.

The county paid \$6,500 for the farm which included 30 acres of adjoining land. The total first cost of the almshouse was \$19,632.

Recorded as serving as the first superintendent was William F. Philbrick who remained at the farm for two years.

In the development of the county farm, the following year a three-story wooden building for the insane and a large barn was added. The combined cost of the two was \$9,487. It was in 1869 also that the county convention permitted the commissioners to purchase woodland and pasture and the nearby farm of D. W. Ladd. The additional farm and 160 acres were procured for \$4,500.

With the farm still expanding there was evident need of more accommodations and facilities. Within four years, in 1873, after the procurement of the Thyng farm, more storage buildings were constructed, costing \$2,500.

Then the following year, in the period of enlargening, a boiler house, laundry and other service buildings were erected, costing a total of \$8,150.

In the third and fourth consecutive years of continued building at the Brentwood establishment, the present House of Correction and work-shops were put up for \$12,000.

The following year, 1876, the frame structure for the insane was razed and in its place was built a new brick asylum, costing \$9,000, where now are housed the county's elderly people.

With all the facilities seemingly in order for satisfactory operation of the county home, the period of construction and expansion temporarily came to an end.

The farm operated for three decades before the next substantial building projects were undertaken. In 1910 a new stable was built for a sum of \$4,580 and, in 1912, a new jail, the one now being used, was erected for \$19,686.

In 1913, according to Hazlett's History of Rockingham County, Brentwood County Farm and buildings were valued at \$90,000. Personal property at the farm was recorded as being worth \$25,000. The two above items in 1913 totaled \$115,000.

Today, 42 years later, the annual county report discloses that the Brentwood County Home and Mitchell Memorial hospital are valued at \$898,500 with furniture and equipment belonging to both places having a combined worth of \$120,500.

Adding the totals of the above latter four figures shows that Brentwood is a \$1 million-dollar investment. That is an assessment mark pretty near equal to that of some of the smaller towns in the state.

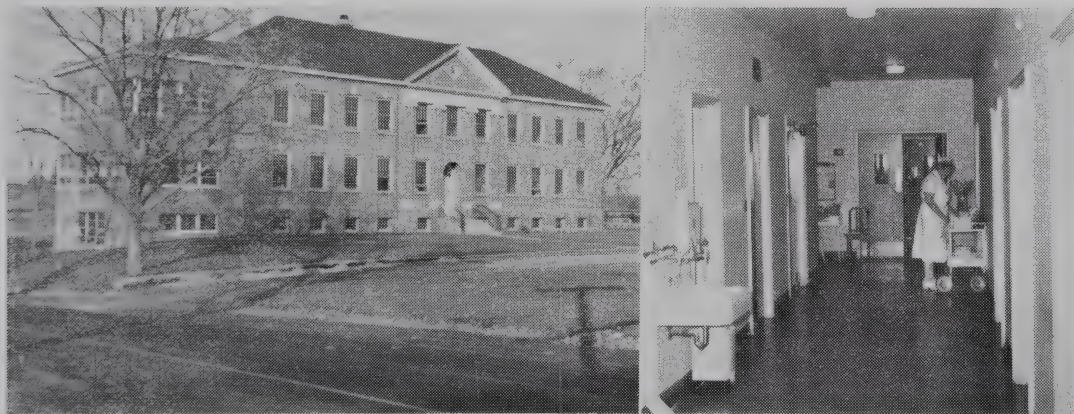
And, indeed, the county farm can almost be considered a town within itself with its many required administrative and service





A PANORAMIC VIEW, taken from the water tower, shows the extensive layout of farm buildings, hospital, house of correction, infirmary, dormitories and administration buildings which comprise the Rockingham County Farm at Brentwood.

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MITCHELL MEMORIAL Hospital, at left, offers complete hospital facilities for residents of the County Farm in Brentwood, and other county patients as well. The corridor pictured at the right is indicative of the degree of orderliness which is maintained throughout the entire building.

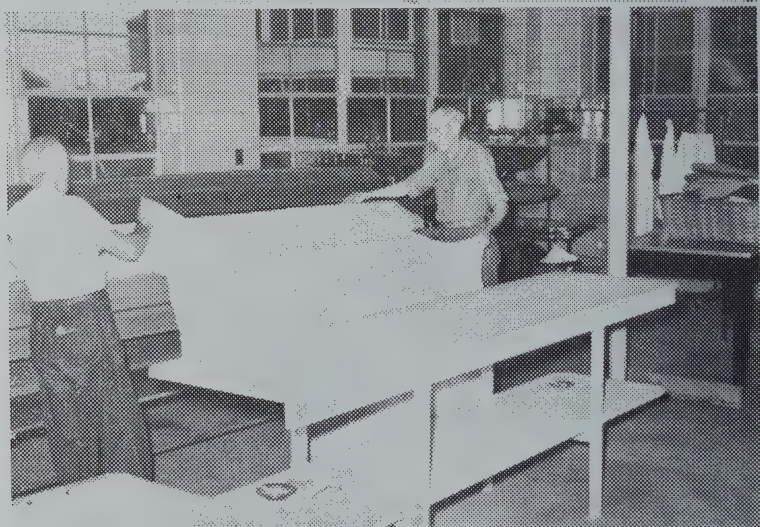
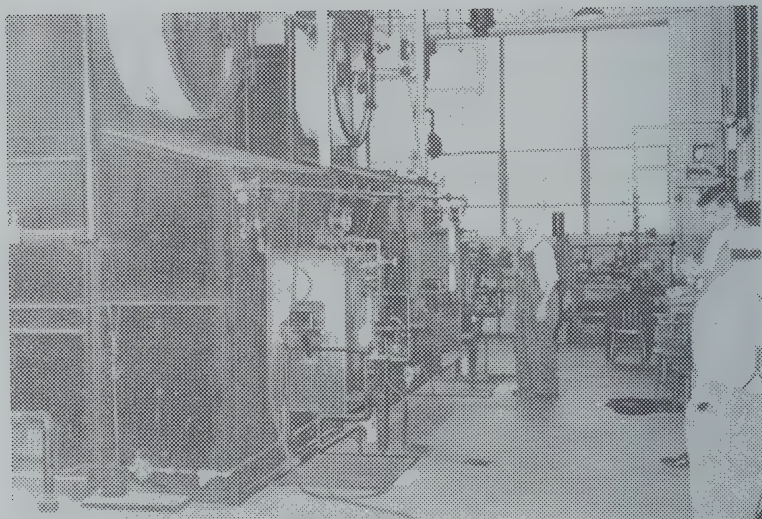
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SERVING an important function in the operation of Rockingham County farm is its well-planned kitchen with its high ovens and modern equipment used in the preparation of meals three times a day for the residents. The lower photo shows the dining room, which because of its accessibility, is also used as an auditorium, and on Sundays becomes a church. —Hampton Union Photo



**HEAT AND HOT WATER** problems at the County Farm in Brentwood are solved by two tremendous oil burning boilers (top) and a modern, well-equipped laundry lends itself to making the Rockingham County Farm a virtual self-sustaining community within the county.

—Hampton Union Photo



operations. In fact, to go still further, there can't be many Granite State communities which can boast of more modern, progressive, economical, yet liberal management as that demonstrated by County Home Superintendent Hilton.

Mr. Hilton, upon graduating from Newmarket High school in 1930, worked his way through UNH to complete a college husbandry course.

With employment at rock bottom when he received his university diploma in 1934, Mr. Hilton went to work as assistant herdsman for former Gov. Blood.

Showing great ability, he was in no time promoted to the head herdsman rank. Mr. Hilton was taken by surprise one day during his regular tour of duties when a stranger walked into the barn and inquired whether he, Mr. Hilton, would be still interested in a herdsman's job at the State Industrial School in Manchester.

Mr. Hilton then remembered back to 1934 when he had unsuccessfully applied for that very same job. He was told, at that time, by the same person that he would be given consideration if ever an availability arose. Hilton, still surprised that someone would remember him for two years, took the position.

Lady Luck smiled even broader at him for Mrs. Dorothy Hilton, who he married September 28, 1935, landed a clerical job that was open at the school the same time.

Mrs. Hilton, the former Dorothy Fiske, born in Raymond but brought up in Stratham, was graduated from the Robinson Seminary in 1931.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton, young, energetic and, most important of all, happy at their new tasks, soon experienced another change — the biggest — in their lives.

Within a year, upon learning that the superintendent and matron jobs were being vacated at the County Home, Mr. and Mrs. Hilton applied for the posts and were granted interviews. Both, in their early twenties, feared their ages would be held against them.

At their home one evening a short time later, a voice over the telephone asked whether the Hiltons would take over the supervisory duties at Brentwood.

Catching their breaths they, Mrs. Hilton only 23 and he, 24, managed to tell County Commissioner Irving W. Marston of North Hampton that they would be happy to take the jobs.

To this day 83-year-old Mr. Marston, who served as county commissioner for 24 years before retiring in 1953, doesn't think he can speak too highly of the Hiltons with whom he had many years of acquaintanceship.

"They are wonderful people, both of them, extra good," will say Mr. Marston who served as commissioner in consecutive terms from April 1, 1929 to January 1, 1953. That was also the impression made by the Hiltons at the Brentwood retreat when they assumed their duties May 10, 1937 and still rings through today as proven by all those coming in contact with them, including the staff and inmates.

"There has been a marked change in the County Home compared to what it was 20 years ago." Superintendent Hilton tells visitors.

"Our services here have been immensely broadened and are still being extended. It is a much different institution then what it was originally intended to be over 100 years back, set up mainly for the poor and those sentenced to jail terms.

"Today not only are we trying to make life somewhat more comfortable and enjoyable for the elderly persons here at the home, but also, even as a bigger job, we are trying to help the increasing number of sick brought here.

"We have improved, improved greatly," Mr. Hilton said, "but we are in so much need of more room for our chronic bed patients for one thing.

"We are in dire need of help here, too," he added. "With the wages offered in other occupations, it is next to impossible for us to hire people. For instance, at this time we badly require two ward maids. And in a place such as this we must be careful who we hire. Those working here must have their hearts in their job and the home."

That statement is thoroughly substantiated upon taking a tour of the County Home.

Almost behind the Administration Building is the brick infirmary. Its sturdy exterior, unworn by the passing years, presents a deceptive picture of that which lies behind its walls.

Although the walls, woodwork and worn wooden floors show signs of severe and constant scrubbing and everything seems to be in proper place, it is obvious that the facilities are far too inadequate for the accommodation of 65 beds and infirmary patients.

"We are terribly overcrowded here," Mr. Hilton will tell you. "If one realized the crowded condition and knew the increase each year of the new inmates admitted, he would know that it isn't a guess to say that at least 100 beds are needed. That is, of course, if we had the proper room in which to put them."

The infirmary is divided into two sections with a pair of dormitories on one side for the women and the same number on the opposite end for the men.





**NERVE CENTER** of the Rockingham County Farm at Brentwood is the Administrative building shown above with offices for Superintendent and Matron and also houses the two-way radio system for the Sheriff's department. —Hampton Union Photo

About the most cheerful aspect in the lives of most of the infirmary inmates is the dormatory color scheme, done primarily with the thought in mind of injecting a little brightness into the otherwise dull existence of the patients.

A pleasant blue and grey combination covers the walls while the chair at each bedside is painted a gay, lively yellow.

"You would be surprised to learn how much our patients enjoy just this little bit of consideration about them," Mr. Hilton said.

The Superintendent reveals that he has constantly mulled over plans for a new infirmary. He would like to see the present one torn down and a new one constructed supported by federal funds made available by the Hill-Burton act.

The infirmary may be reached directly from the Administration Building through a long underground tunnel along which is run electric and telephone cables, hot and cold water and both high and low pressure steam lines. The underground passage is especially valuable in frigid and inclement weather.

The more severe ill cases along with those necessitating special treatment and bed patients are to be found in the Mitchell Memorial hospital, just beyond the infirmary and Administration building.

The Mitchell Memorial hospital, under construction as a WPA project from 1935 to 1937, was named in honor of Dr. A. B. Mitchell of Epping who had been the only doctor attending patients at the County Home prior the erection of the hospital.

The hospital was opened in 1937 to operate as a general hospital and to this day private patients are still admitted as well as those that come under the county's care.

During the war time it was closed in 1944 and did not reopen until 1952, primarily as a chronic hospital.

To point out the work load of the Mitchell Memorial in comparison to a similar outside hospital, Mr. Hilton said that whereas patients average a four-day stay in an outside hospital, those at the Mitchell Memorial average four years.

The cost of operating Mitchell Memorial, as any other hospital, is great. The 1954 Rockingham county annual report showed that \$70,204.04 was expended at the County Home's hospital and infirmary.

Consuming \$11,609 of that total was the lone item, medical supplies.

"How can we be expected to keep expenditures down?" Mr. Hilton asked, his voice toned with futility, "with the large number of chronic patients we are compelled to take care of here? Every year on incontinent pads alone we have to pay out from \$2,5000 to \$3,000.

"Right now, also," Mr. Hilton continued, "we're trying to equip several of our hospital beds with needed sides slides used to prevent patients from falling out, but we are unable to purchase them all at once, not with their price being \$42.50 a pair."

A staff of well-trained nurses, neat in their crisp white uniforms and caps, are seen to be forever busy with their patients on both the hospital floors. Quickly noted is the cleanliness found everywhere.

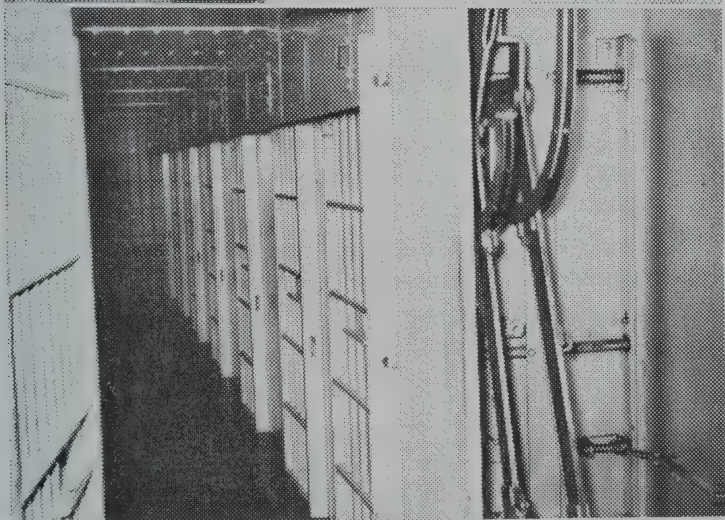
Undoubtedly patients find the most popular place to be the two-deck solarium, with its many windows, off the south wing. Measuring about 25 by 50 feet, it was annexed to the main building in 1952.

One of the charter members of the "solarium club" is a bed-ridden patient named Pat, paralyzed for the past ten years from the waist down.

Upon the erection of the solarium, his world of blank walls was removed with the installation of wide windows. A new, pleasing aspect of life was offered to Pat, presenting to him the vast, open countryside where he could watch Mother Nature with her un-failing seasonal work of coloring and frolicking.

Nothing has thrilled Pat any more, with the exception, per-





SHORT - WAVE RADIO communication between the House of Correction at Brentwood and Rockingham county sheriffs and deputies has added to the efficiency of the county's sheriff department. The line of cell doors, lower, are operated simultaneously or individually by levers in the not-too-modern, but still effective cell block.

—Hampton Union Photo

haps, of a string of Boston Red Sox victories. He is an ardent baseball fan and the small radio at his bedside is unremovable during the season.

At the opposite end of the hospital is the former operating room which, though no longer in use, is kept ready for emergencies such as Civil Defense work.

Serving as County Commissioners at the hospital's opening in 1937 were Mahlon C. Currier of Danville, Irving W. Marston of North Hampton and Simes Frink of Portsmouth.

These three commissioners made up the hospital building committee along with Rockingham County Delegation members Elihu T. Adams, J. William Peaslee, Louis P. Janvrin, Oliver H. Hepworth, Charles G. Russell, P. J. Kittredge and Richard G. Pray.

The present attending physician at the Mitchell Memorial is 81-year-old Dr. Fred Fernald of Nottingham. Dr. Fernald, who was born in Nottingham September 17, 1874, is the son of the late John E. and Sarah A. (Thompson) Fernald. His immigrant ancestors came from England, settling in Portsmouth.

Dr. Fernald attended public schools in Nottingham and was graduated from the Seminary in 1895, the year of his father's death.

After spending two years at Bowdoin College, he entered Baltimore Medical College in 1898 and was graduated from there as an M.D. in 1900.

Upon completion of post graduate work at John Hopkins Medical College in Baltimore, Maryland, Dr. Fernald returned to open a physician's office in Nottingham where he has since remained.

Dr. Fernald is a member of county, state and national medical societies, elected president of the Rockingham County Medical Society in 1913.

Dr. and Mrs. Fernald, formerly Elizabeth W. Cilley of Nottingham, celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary December 29. They were wed that date in 1904. Dr. and Mrs. Fernald have six children.

Across the road from the hospital is seen a modern \$66,000 barn that would meet the envy of any farmer or dairyman. The county was saved sizeable sums in the construction of the County Home's barn as prisoners at the institute did a great deal of the work.

One of the features of the model barn is the pen stabling method used for the Home's 130 head of cattle which includes 52 milk cows. Pen stabling allows the animals barn shelter along with providing them a large area for exercising.

Inside the barn, next to the stabling pens, is the grain room





**CLEANLINESS** is paramount at the County Farm, even extending inside the new cow barn (shown above) complete with all the latest mechanical devices to keep the barn and cows in first class condition.

—Hampton Union Photo

where cattle feed is specifically weighed and measured to adhere to strict diet requirements, promoting the health of the animals.

Still further within the barn is where the milk cows are kept in a section complete to the very last detail. Results of the modernization may well be seen in County Home records which show that between \$20 and \$25 thousand-dollars-worth of milk are sold from there annually at wholesale prices.

Along with the milk cows, the County Home raises its own herd of pure bred breeding stock which have become top winners in various fairs. Many Home's cows and bulls have also brought good money on the sales block.

It is doubtful that cows anywhere could be any more contented than those at the County Home farm, each possessing a name prefixed with "Rocko," designating Rockingham County.

The milk cow barn is equipped with four ventilating fans which exhaust impure air from the barn's 51,000 cubic feet of space. Besides adding to the cow's comfort, the fans aid in preserving the building's interior by preventing the accumulation of moisture. Charged with a low voltage, a wire resembling a coat hanger is suspended over each cow in its stall to train the cow to keep out of the gutter, keeping the animal and its surroundings clean.

Another aid adding to the thorough cleaning method of the barn is the electrically-driven gutter cleaner which mechanically conveys the waste twice daily from the alleys directly to the manure spreader at the end of the barn. From there the matter can easily be distributed outside, on the farm land.

The cows are not the only animals at the County Home who enjoy the scientific treatment in their daily lives. An automatic heater keeps an adequate supply of water at the proper temperature for pigs all year around.

At the present time, Mr. Hilton pointed out, there are 75 yearling hogs in pasture. The County Home, along with growing its own stable products, is self sufficient in the provision of its pork, veal, beef and fowl which are money savers for Rockingham county taxpayers.

The superintendent estimated that 1,800 pounds of edible meat is slaughtered monthly at the County Home, for its own consumption.

Fitting in with Superintendent Hilton's long range plans to make the County Home more efficient and economical is the large heating plant containing two 150 horsepower oil fired boilers. Where years ago when coal was used as the heat building product, prisoners worked to fire the boilers.

"Now our heating plant is such a large investment we wouldn't dare let anyone unqualified to touch the boilers," Mr. Hilton revealed.

He added that there is a trio of qualified firemen working on three eight hour shifts in the heating plant, supplying steam for all the County home.

Two of the large boilers are kept going through the entire winter while one is sufficient to fill the summer steam requirements.

When the new plant was constructed, ample space was created for the installation of one more boiler with thoughts of future plans in mind.

Mr. Hilton in explaining the functions and operations of the boilers revealed he was forced to learn about them inside and out because of the continuous troubles springing up when they were run by inexperienced prisoners.

Located next to the heating plant is the spacious laundry, part of the \$200,000 appropriation made for additions and improvements in 1947.

There, too, in the roomy, well ventilated and well-lighted structure, health, efficiency and economy are the only watchwords. The laundry's last word in up-to-date equipment consists of wash-



ers, extractors, dryers and pressers, including one large machine that neatly presses bed sheets in seconds.

The sheet presser is a must at the institution as in a number of hospital cases there are five or six bed changes in every 24 hours and, in a few cases there are many as 12 changes each in one day.

The laundry staff consists of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Parks of Stratham. Mr. Parks, who is also in charge of the store room and Mrs. Parks, the seamstress, have been at the County Home for 18 years. Additional laundry help is afforded by one or two prisoners.

Not too far away from the laundry is the carpenter shop for the maintenance crew with similar space provided, in the old laundry, for plumbing and electrical repair work. Mr. Hilton stated that although these shops were far from complete they have been built up to take care of a lot of repairs at the Home.

Keeping in step with Brentwood's closely-controlled modernization, efficient is the kitchen where from its clean ovens and tables comes daily food for over 100 mouths. The menu, prepared by the lone woman cook, aided by prisoners, is the same for all whether it be prisoners, aged inmates, staff members or visiting VIP's. "That is not for the sake of economy by all means," explained Mr. Hilton. "It's a proof that our inmates and prisoners are well and properly fed. The importance of food in an establishment such as this cannot be overemphasized," he added. The menu is not repeated for the same day each week after week, it was stated.

The large main dining room, just off the kitchen, serves as an auditorium and a place for church services. Quite frequently clergymen of different faiths visit the auditorium to fulfill religious needs of their respective followers. General church services are also held at the home every second Sunday by the Rev. Roger Buchanan of Brentwood.

The auditorium or dining room is also used for recreational activities, provided with a television set and other accommodations such as a means for showing of 16 mm. camera films. The projector was purchased from the estate of the late Pearl Joy who had resided at the Home as a paid boarder. It was asked by the benefactor that some of the state's money would be used in the purchase of something for the Home for all to enjoy.

Of all spots visited at Brentwood the one eliciting more sympathy from the observer than the others is the former insane asylum now housing aged women on one side and men on the other.

Mr. Hilton said greater efforts and new facilities are badly needed to restore some of the lives now believed lost by the elderly inmates. It is evident that as much as possible is being done with the current facilities to offer comfort and cheer.

Though the outside of the building appears in fine condition, the interior with its wooden floors and inadequate accommodations presents a different, unfavorable picture.

Mr. Hilton said that a great number of the inmates enjoy television given the home as gifts by friends. Other residents, especially the men, pass the long hours of day by playing cards or checkers.

In a few instances there are husbands and wives at the aged retreat, separated and unable to see each other as often as they wished.

"In the new building which we should erect for our elderly folks here," Mr. Hilton said, "I would like to see space provided so the husband and wife inmates can be together. That is one of the last offerings of cheer we can offer them before they pass on to their final resting place."

The work day for the matron in charge of the spaces for the elderly people is a long, tiresome one, beginning about 5 a.m. and ending in the vicinity of 9 p.m., according to Mr. Hilton.

"It is not for lack of effort on our parts here at the Home that happiness is not afforded the old folks in their final days," Mr. Hilton said. "I wish we could persuade citizens all over the county to come here and see the job we are trying to accomplish," he added.

Standing off to one side of the Brentwood County Home and Farm is the cellblock with space for 42 prisoners. Built in 1912, the brick building is equipped with a master control switch that can open each cell individually or all at one time.

Mr. Hilton pointed out that prisoners at the Farm are those with misdemeanor sentences of one year or less. Those sentenced to greater lengths are sent to the state penitentiary.

In charge of the cell block is Turnkey Lloyd Hartford of Epping. His briefing room is equipped with a fingerprinting unit, police radio and various other sundry items for the recording and administration of prisoners.

Prison inmates are allowed almost complete freedom as they carry out their duties about the farm. None are handcuffed or chained nor are there any guards or sentries on the grounds.

In reply to a query Mr. Hilton said, "We seldom have trouble with escaping prisoners. Occasionally one becomes homesick or melancholy and goes off, but he either soon returns or we can



pick him up easily. Most of the fellows behave themselves very well in here."

The prisoners have their washroom and recreational facilities downstairs in their cell block but they are locked up early each night.

Superintendent Hilton said he wished more people would visit the Home to familiarize themselves with its functions. He said he thought it could almost be called the duty of Rockingham county citizens to learn first hand about Brentwood.

Among the many frequent visitors at the Home are both school and college people who show a great deal of interest.

"I enjoy taking them around the Home," Mr. Hilton said. "It provokes a thought toward occupational lines as well as showing what we do here."

Various church groups, especially those from around Exeter have never forgotten the Home during times as Thanksgiving and Christmas, the superintendent said. There also have been visiting groups from Hampton, North Hampton and Portsmouth.

Mr. Hilton revealed that at one time five Portsmouth hairdressers came to the Home and did up the hair of every woman.

"They were tickled pink to have their hair worked on," he added, smiling as he walked to the window to see the sun sinking low on the horizon.

His face becoming serious, one guessed what his thoughts were. Undoubtedly he wondered what the next day's rising sun would bring to the Home in the way of a challenge. Whatever it would be, those who knew Superintendent Hilton, even after a brief few moments, felt confident that he and his staff would be determined and devoted to the task of conquering it, regardless the odds.

**COUNTY OFFICERS**

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*Commissioners*

ALBERT G. FULLER, Chairman, Fremont

IRA A. BROWN, Clerk, Portsmouth

ALVIN E. FOSS, East Kingston

*Treasurer*

WINSTON H. LOTHROP, Exeter

*Solicitor*

LINDSEY R. BRIGHAM, Newfields

*Clerk of Superior Court*

ARTHUR J. CALL, JR., Exeter

*Sheriff*

SIMES FRINK, Portsmouth

*Judge of Probate*

RICHARD E. SHUTE, Exeter

*Register of Probate*

FRANK B. NAY, Exeter

*Register of Deeds*

JOHN W. A. GREEN, Exeter

*Auditors*

HOWARD C. ABBOTT, Derry

JOHN P. LOUGHLIN, Portsmouth

*Superintendent of County Home*

GEORGE W. HILTON, Brentwood

*Superintendent of Nurses*

CLARA SHATTUCK, R.N.

*Physician*

DR. FRED FERNALD, Nottingham

*Chaplain*

REV. ROGER BUCHANAN

REPRESENTATIVES — 1955

AUBURN	KINGSTON
Margaret A. Griffin	Nathan T. Battles
BRENTWOOD	LONDONDERRY
John H. Dudley	Draper W. Parmenter
CANDIA	NEW CASTLE
Karl J. Persson	Thomas F. McCaffery
CHESTER	NEWMARKET
Walter P. Tenney	Arthur A. Labranche
DANVILLE	F. Albert Sewall
George W. Shattuck	
DEERFIELD	NEWTON
Carl M. Fogg	George L. Cheney
DERRY	NORTH HAMPTON
Ernest P. Barka	George G. Carter
Kenneth M. Bisbee	
Harry E. Clarke	NORTHWOOD
Charles H. Gay	Ernest L. Pinkham
EAST KINGSTON	PLAISTOW
Guy E. Nickerson	Mildred L. Palmer
EPPING	PORTSMOUTH
Edmond G. Blair	Ward 1
EXETER	Andrew J. Barrett
Edwin W. Eastman	Mary C. Dondero
Emory P. Eldredge	Hilda Hundley
C. H. Sayre Merrill	Lise L. Payette
James C. Rathbone	Ann Sadler
FREMONT	Ward 2
Harold L. Jones	Henry S. Murch, Jr.
GREENLAND	Jeremiah Quirk
Thornton N. Weeks, Sr.	Elizabeth L. Travis
HAMPSTEAD	Ward 3
Doris M. Spollett	John J. Leary
HAMPTON	James J. Joyce
Douglass E. Hunter	William J. Wardwell
Alton P. Tobey	Ward 4
HAMPTON FALLS	Theodore Munz
James H. Thurlow	Ward 5
	Edward J. Ingraham



## RAYMOND

Frank J. Mafera

## RYE

Manning H. Philbrick . .

## SALEM

Walter F. Haigh

Anna M. Noyes

Howard S. Willis

## SANDOWN

Ernest C. Pillsbury

## SEABROOK

Myron B. Felch

## SOUTH HAMPTON

Frank A. Robinson

## STRATHAM

W. Douglas Scamman

## WINDHAM

Thomas Waterhouse, Jr.

DELEGATES TO THE  
COUNTY CONVENTION

## ATKINSON

Harry B. Tuttle

## KENSINGTON

Herbert L. Eastman

## NEWFIELDS

Thomas R. Sheehy

## NEWINGTON

Granville S. Knox

## NOTTINGHAM

John Clark

CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY  
CONVENTION

Draper W. Parmenter

R.F.D.

Hudson, N. H.

VICE-CHAIRMAN OF  
COUNTY CONVENTION

Mary C. Dondero

28 Parker Street

Portsmouth, N. H.

CLERK OF  
COUNTY CONVENTION

Lise L. Payette

324 Hanover Street

Portsmouth, N. H.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of  
COUNTY CONVENTION

## Chairman

Frank A. Robinson,

R.F.D. No. 1

Amesbury, Mass.

Edwin W. Eastman

76 Court Street

Exeter, N. H.

F. Albert Sewell

Newmarket, N. H.

Henry S. Murch, Jr.

140 Summer Street

Portsmouth, N. H.

William J. Wardwell

111 Essex Avenue

Portsmouth, N. H.

George G. Carter

North Hampton, N. H.

Walter F. Haigh

Main Street

Salem, N. H.

Ernest P. Barka

1 Brook Street

Derry, N. H.

Ernest L. Pinkham

Northwood, N. H.

**ROCKINGHAM COUNTY DELEGATION****Wednesday, January 12th, 1955**

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Forty-eight Representatives and 3 Delegates of Rockingham County met for the purpose of organization, in Room 317 of the State House at 1 p.m.

Mr. Harry Foote presiding, the following officers were duly nominated and elected: Chairman, Mr. Draper W. Parmenter; Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Mary C. Dondero; Clerk, Mrs. Lise L. Payette.

In the absence of the newly elected Chairman, Sen. Harry Foote passed on the gavel to the new Vice-Chairman, who then presided.

Mr. Rathbone made a motion that the Chairman appoint a Budget Committee of nine members (3 from each section of the County under the 3 Commissioners) and offered the amendment that the newly elected presiding officers would automatically be members of the Budget Committee, which motion was unanimously adopted.

Meeting adjourned.

Lise L. Payette, Clerk

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Tuesday, January 25th, 1955

The Chairman of the Delegation, Mr. Draper W. Parmenter, has this date appointed the following Executive Committee: Frank A. Robinson, Chairman, South Hampton; Henry S. Murch, Portsmouth; George G. Carter, North Hampton; William J. Wardwell, Portsmouth; Edwin W. Eastman, Exeter; F. Albert Sewall, Newmarket; Ernest Barka, Derry; Walter Haigh, Salem; Ernest L. Pinkham, Northwood.

Lise L. Payette, Clerk

Tuesday, February 15th, 1955

Forty-one Representatives and 2 Delegates met in Room 207 in the State House Annex for the purpose of taking action on H.B. 159 "An Act relative to the salary of the Treasurer of Rockingham County". Representative Emory Eldredge, the sponsor, explained that almost everybody connected with the County had had a raise in the last few years.

Mr. Henry Murch made a motion that we give the Treasurer a raise of \$200. making his salary \$1000. instead of \$1200. as requested by the bill.

The following people spoke briefly against the bill:

Mr. Bisbee, Mr. Shattuck, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Jones, Mr. Barka, Mr. Dudley, Mr. Robinson.

Then Mr. Murch withdrew his motion and Mrs. Margaret Griffin moved that H.B. 159 be reported "Inexpedient to legislature" and it was almost a unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned.

Lise L. Payette, Clerk

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Monday, February 21st, 1955

Pursuant to notice as provided by law, the Rockingham County Delegation met at the County Farm, Brentwood, N.H. at 10 a.m. this date.

Chairman Draper Parmenter presided. The roll call showed a presence of 45 Representatives and 3 Delegates.

Mr. Robinson explained the Budget Committee report, and the Chairman proceeded with the business of the meeting.

Motion by Mr. Merrill: That the \$500. in the budget, which was deducted by the Budget Committee last week, be re-instated for the repairs of the pictures hanging in the Exeter Court House. Motion carried.

Motion by Doris Spollett: That on item 17 of the budget, if there is any money unspent at the end of the



year, it should be used to buy 2 radios for the Sheriff's Dept. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rathbone: On item 22, that the sum of \$3200. be appropriated for the County Workers' Expenses. Motion carried, after a 29 to 18 vote.

Motion by Mr. Scamman: On item 27, that the Extension Budget of \$19,649.80 be approved, that of this, \$15,592.87 be by County appropriation, and the balance be by accumulated surplus in the Extension fund that it be further provided that the proper County officials be authorized to advance to the Extension treasurer such sums as necessary to carry on existing services in 1956 until such time as the 1956 budget is authorized. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Thurlow: that the County Commissioners incorporate in the annual County Report of all County officers required to file reports with Secretary of State, under Chap. 50 of the revised laws, as amended by the laws of 1951 and 1953 until recinded. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Scamman: that the County raise and appropriate the sum of \$579,012.87 against which will be credited estimated revenue of \$194,199.74, leaving the amount to be committed to taxation \$384,813.13 and the motion was carried.

It was voted to apply \$428.28 in Building Fund (Balance received from sale of County Jail) to Estimated Revenue.

Meeting adjourned.

Lise L. Payette, Clerk

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March 14, 1955

Dear Sir:

At the meeting of the Rockingham County Delegation on February 21, 1955, Rep. James H. Thurlow of Hampton Falls made a motion that was duly seconded "that the County Commissioners publish reports of all

County Officers who are required to report to the Secretary of State as provided in Chapter 65 of the Laws of 1951." This motion was carried.

As a consequence, we are now compelled to request that you submit to this office for our inclusion in the next County Report your report as required by Chapter 50 of the Revised Laws as amended by Chapter 65, Section 1, of the Laws of 1951.

Thanking you for your cooperation respecting this matter, we are,

Sincerely yours,

Albert G. Fuller

Ira A. Brown

Alvin E. Foss

Board of Rockingham  
County Commissioners.

Copy of letter sent to Register of Probate, Register of Deeds Judge of Probate, Sheriff and Deputies.

## ROCKINGHAM COUNTY BUDGET

1955

*Salaries:*

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1. Commissioners .....	\$5,400.00
2. Treasurer .....	800.00
3. Auditors .....	500.00
4. Solicitor .....	2,200.00
5. Sheriff .....	1,500.00

*Expenses of:*

6. Above Officers (except Sheriff) ...	3,000.00
7. Medical Referee .....	2,000.00
8. Register of Deeds .....	4,500.00
9. Register of Probate .....	4,500.00
10. Supplies for Photocopy Machine ...	5,500.00
11. Office Supplies & Expense .....	2,500.00

*Care and Supplies for:*

12. Portsmouth Court House .....	6,500.00
13. Exeter Court House .....	4,460.00
Repairing Tower and Chimney ...	2,500.00
14. County Records Building .....	6,600.00
15. Superior Court .....	40,000.00
16. Sheriff & Deputy Fees .....	13,000.00
17. Sheriff & Deputy Expenses .....	10,000.00
Radio Repairs .....	500.00
Supplies .....	200.00
Radio Tower, Etc. ....	1,250.00
18. County Home & Hospital .....	250,082.00
Herdsman's House .....	4,000.00
Architect's Survey .....	500.00
Soil Conservation Project .....	600.00
19. Care of Prisoners .....	4,500.00
20. Old Age Assistance .....	13,500.00
21. Board & Care Children .....	55,000.00



22.	Direct Relief .....	65,000.00
	Investigator .....	3,200.00
23.	County Clerical .....	7,728.00
24.	Interest Temporary Loan .....	3,100.00
25.	Interest on Bonds .....	900.00
26.	Payment on Bonds .....	24,000.00
27.	County Extension Service .....	15,592.87
28.	Delegation Expense .....	600.00
29.	Employees Retirement .....	5,300.00
30.	Publishing County Reports .....	400.00
31.	Insurance .....	7,000.00
32.	State Audit .....	600.00
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		\$579,012.87

### Estimated Revenue

County Home & Hospital .....	\$156,625.00
Fines, etc .....	5.00
Reimbursement, support of poor .....	3,000.00
P.C.H., Rents .....	312.00
Misc. ....	50.00
Cash Surplus .....	34,207.74
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	\$194,199.74
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Amount necessary to be raised	
by County Tax .....	\$384,813.13

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

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As required by Statute, The Commissioner's of Rockingham County submit herewith the reports of the various County Officials for the year ending December 31, 1955.

Rockingham County Commissioners, having a balance of \$31,414.05 feel the year 1955 was a very successful one.

Expenditures for Direct Relief (Support of Poor not at County Home) decreased as employment conditions in the Portsmouth area were very good and the Commissioners, by carefully working with applicants for relief, found many jobs for them. Board and Care of children has been given much more attention this year by Mrs. Stiles, County Worker, and collections have increased.

It is always a pleasure to work with the fine County Officers in Rockingham County. The Delegation was very cooperative in preparing the budget and we are pleased that we could keep within the appropriation and have a balance of \$11,947.05 in the appropriated budget, which, with \$19,467.00 in receipts above those estimated, gave the total surplus.

We especially want to thank the new County Treasurer, Winston H. Lothrop for the efficient work in handling of County Funds.

As in the past, the Commissioners meet every Friday in Exeter at 10 A.M., every Wednesday at the County Home at 10 A.M., every first Tuesday of the month at 10:30 A.M. at the Portsmouth Office and every first Monday of the month at 10 A.M. in the Derry Office, for discussion of public business. We would be glad at

any time, to have anyone interested in County Business, visit at any of these meetings.

This is your County and County business is your business.

Albert G. Fuller,

Ira A. Brown,

Alvin E. Foss,

Board of Rockingham  
County Commissioners.



REPORT  
of an examination and audit  
of the accounts  
of  
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY  
made by  
THE DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
June 20 - July 1, 7 & 8, 18 & 19, 1955

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DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
Concord, New Hampshire

October 10, 1955

Board of County Commissioners  
Rockingham County  
Exeter, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 82, Section 27, of the Revised Laws, the biennial examination and audit of the accounts of Rockingham County has been made by this Division. The audit covered the fiscal years ended December 31, 1953 and December 31, 1954. Submitted herewith is the report of this audit including Exhibits as hereafter listed. The report is made up in three sections as follows:

- Section I - Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953  
 Section II - Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1954  
 Section III - Ten Year Statement of County Taxes,  
 Assessed, Net Debt and Bonded Debt.

### *SCOPE OF AUDIT*

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of County Commissioners, County Treasurer, Clerk of the Superior Court and Superintendent of the County Home and Mitchell Memorial Hospital.

### *FINANCIAL REPORTS*

#### *Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibits A & I)*

Comparative Balance Sheets for the fiscal years ended December 31, 1952-1953 and December 31, 1953-1954 are presented in Exhibits A and I, respectively. As indicated therein, the Net Debt decreased by \$11,901.02 in 1953 and \$46,914.00 in 1954.

#### *Analysis of Change in Financial Conditions:*

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953 (Exhibit B)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1954 (Exhibit J)

Statements presenting an analysis of the factors which caused the change in financial condition of the County during the fiscal years ended December 31, 1953 and December 31, 1954, are included in Exhibits B and J, respectively.

The decrease in Net Debt during the year 1953 amounted to \$11,901.02. The factors which caused this were as follows:

#### *Decreases in Net Debt*

Budget Surplus	\$ 4,017.07
Bonds Retired	24,000.00
Increase in Accounts Receivable	14,561.94
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	\$42,579.01

*Increase in Net Debt*

Cash Surplus Used to Reduce County Tax	30,677.99
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<i>Net Decrease</i>	<i>\$11,901.02</i>
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In 1954 the decrease in Net Debt of \$46,914.00, resulted as follows :

*Decreases in Net Debt*

Net Budget Surplus	\$33,960.08
Bonds Retired	24,000.00
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	\$57,960.08

*Increases in Net Debt*

Cash Surplus Used to Reduce	
County Tax	\$4,017.07
Decrease in Accounts Receivable	7,029.01
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	11,046.08
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<i>Net Decrease</i>	<i>\$46,914.00</i>
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*Comparative Statements of Appropriations and  
Expenditures — Estimated and Actual Revenues:*

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953  
(Exhibits C & D)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1954  
(Exhibits K & L)

In the fiscal year ended December 31, 1953, a revenue surplus of \$25,644.58, less a net overdraft of appropriations of \$21,627.51, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$4,017.07.

A revenue surplus of \$48,479.93, less a net overdraft of appropriations of \$14,519.85, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$33,960.08 in 1954.



*Summaries of Receipts and Expenditures:*

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953 (Exhibit E)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1954 (Exhibit M-1)

Summaries of the receipts and expenditures of the County, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, for the fiscal years ended December 31, 1953 and 1954, are presented in Exhibits E and M-1, respectively.

ACCOUNTS OF COMMISSIONERS  
AND TREASURER

An examination was made of all orders issued by the Commissioners and Clerk of the Superior Court during the periods under review. Supporting invoices and payrolls were likewise examined and the classification of expenditures noted. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of December 31, 1954, is indicated in Exhibit M-2.

CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

The financial accounts and records of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Rockingham County were examined. Court receipts were checked by source, insofar as possible, and found to be properly recorded. Court orders issued by the Clerk were supported by invoices, vouchers and payrolls bearing the approval of a Superior Court Justice.

COUNTY HOME AND HOSPITAL

The accounts and records of the Superintendent of the County Home and the Mitchell Memorial Hospital were examined. Receipts of the Home and Hospital were checked by source through the triplicate receipt forms. All receipts, as recorded in the cash book, were properly accounted for by the Superintendent through deposits in the bank to the credit of the County Treasurer's account.

Classified summaries of receipts and expenditures of the County Institutions for the years 1953 and 1954 are presented in Exhibits F and N, respectively.

### BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

A statement of the bonded indebtedness of the County as of December 31, 1954, showing annual maturities of principal and annual interest requirements, is contained in Exhibit R.

### GENERAL COMMENTS

#### *Overdrafts of Appropriations and Application of Chapter 73, Laws of 1951:*

It is noted that in the years 1953 and 1954, there were net overdrafts of appropriations amounting to \$21,-627.51 and \$14,519.85, respectively. In other words, the total expenditures for all purposes exceeded the total budgetary appropriations by these amounts.

In such cases, the County Commissioners are required to make application to the Executive Committee of the County Convention for authority to exceed budgetary appropriations. This is in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 73 of the Laws of 1951. In compliance therewith, the County Commissioners requested authority from the Executive Committee to exceed certain appropriations and received permission to expend the available revenue surplus for this purpose. The revenue surplus in each year was more than sufficient to cover the net appropriation overdrafts as shown by Exhibits D and L and indicated herewith:

	1953	1954
Revenue Surplus	\$25,644.58	\$48,479.93
Net Overdraft of Appropriations	\$21,627.51	\$14,519.85

*Conclusion:*

The provisions of Chapter 184 of the Laws of 1955, require that the summary of findings and recommendations of this report shall be published in the next annual report of the County. If this is not done, the Tax Commission, at the expense of the County, may cause the summary to be separately published and distributed or published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the County.

The inclusion of Exhibits in the published report is optional with the County Commissioners.

The appreciation and thanks of this Division is hereby expressed to the officials of Rockingham County and their office staffs for the assistance rendered during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

Harold G. Fowler,

Director

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION

Herbert E. Hunt, Auditor

Robert W. Flanders, Accountant



**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION**

**Concord, New Hampshire**

**October 10, 1955**

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*Certificate of Audit*

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Rockingham County Commissioners, Treasurer, Clerk of the Superior Court and Superintendent of the County Home and Mitchell Memorial Hospital, for the fiscal years ended December 31, 1953 and December 31, 1954. In our opinion the Exhibits presented herewith reflect the true financial condition of the County and the results of operations for the periods under review.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold G. Fowler,

Director

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
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## APPROPRIATIONS OF THE DELEGATION AND EXPENDITURES OF THE SAME, 1955

SALARIES	Appropriations	Receipts	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
1. Commissioned	\$ 5,400.00	\$	\$ 5,400.00	\$	\$
2. Treasurer	800.00		1,000.00		200.00
3. Auditors	500.00		500.00		
4. Solicitor	2,200.00		2,750.00		550.00
5. Sheriff	1,500.00		1,875.00		375.00
EXPENSES OF:					
6. Above Officers (except Sheriff)	3,000.00		3,436.70		436.70
7. Medical Referee	2,000.00	180.62	2,764.10		764.10
8. Register of Deeds	4,500.00		3,342.71	1,157.29	
9. Register of Probate	4,500.00		4,427.26	72.74	
10. Supplies Photocopy Machine	5,500.00		5,568.66		68.66
11. Office Supplies & Postage	2,500.00	110.87	2,401.07	98.93	
CARE AND SUPPLIES FOR:					
12. Portsmouth Court House					
Wind.	\$6,500.00				
Ins.	394.20				
13. Exeter Court House	6,894.20	372.00	7,644.74		750.54
Restoring Pictures	3,960.00	5.00	3,671.64	288.36	
County Records Bldg.	500.00		500.00		
14. Painting Interior	5,100.00		6,750.53		1,650.53
	1,500.00		1,285.00	215.00	

SUPERIOR COURT

15.	Jury Payrolls	18,000.00	10.78	11,540.94	6,459.06	
	State vs. Payrolls	4,000.00		1,592.24	2,407.76	
	Counsel Fees	500.00		980.50		480.50
	Stenographer, etc.	5,000.00		6,831.08		1,831.08
	Clerk, Misc.	12,500.00		16,687.89		4,187.89
16.	Sheriff & Deputy Fees	13,000.00		12,153.89		
17.	Sheriff & Deputy Expenses	10,000.00		10,026.83	846.11	
	Sheriff Radio Tower, etc.	1,250.00		2,068.47		26.83
	Sheriff Radio Repairs	500.00		482.55	17.45	818.47
	Sheriff Supplies	200.00		19.50	180.50	
18.	County Home & Hospital		169,233.48			
	Added	\$250,082.00				
		2,605.50				
19.	Jail, Care of Prisoners	252,687.50		258,013.03		5,325.53
20.	Old Age Assistance	4,500.00		4,023.20	476.80	
21.	B & C Children	13,500.00	890.41	13,862.32		362.32
22.	Direct Relief	55,000.00	8,092.02	57,577.20		2,577.20
		65,000.00	563.82	47,926.92	17,073.08	
	Investigator Salary	2,400.00)		2,400.00)		
	Investigator Expenses	800.00		680.00)	119.58	
23.	County Clerical	7,728.00		7,648.75	79.25	
24.	Interest Temp. Loan	3,100.00		3,066.03	33.97	
25.	Interest on Bonds	900.00		860.00	40.00	
26.	Payment on Bonds	24,000.00		24,000.00		
27.	County Extension Service	15,592.87		15,592.87		
28.	Delegation Expense	600.00		453.58	146.42	



## Rockingham County Report

29. Employees Retirement	5,300.00	7,594.59	2,294.59
30. Publishing County Reports	400.00	353.29	
31. Insurance	<b>7,000.00</b>	<b>7,232.65</b>	<b>46.71</b>
32. State Audit	600.00	636.46	232.65
33. Herdsman's House	4,000.00	1,315.91	36.46
34. Architect's Survey	500.00	500.00	2,684.09
35. Soil Conservation	600.00	600.00	
36. Exeter Court House, Tower and Chimney	2,500.00		2,500.00
Special Acct. — New Barn		261.51	
APPROPRIATIONS			
Voted	\$579,012.87		
Added	<b>2,999.70</b>		
New Barn	<b>261.51</b>		
TOTALS	<u>\$582,274.08</u>	<u>\$570,327.03</u>	<u>\$22,996.05</u>
Minus Expenditures	<b>570,327.03</b>	<b>— 22,996.05</b>	
Balance of Appropriations Estimated Receipts	<u>\$ 11,947.05</u>		<b>\$11,947.05</b>
Receipts Over Estimate		159,992.00	
Plus Unexpended Balance		<u>\$ 19,467.00</u>	
		11,947.05	
Gross Surplus		<u>\$ 31,414.05</u>	

## SPECIAL FUNDS

Herdsmen's House	2,684.09	
Exeter Court House	2,500.00	5,184.09
(Tower & Chimney)		
NET SURPLUS		<u>\$ 26,229.96</u>

(County Home Transferred \$2,605.50 from Receipts to Appropriations and P.C.H. transferred \$394.20, making total of \$2,999.70. This represented Windstorm Damage, Fines and Costs, etc., that had to be used over again. There are five quarters represented in Salaries of Treasurer, Solicitor, Sheriff, Expenses of Commissioners, (Expenditures), an extra payroll at Rockingham County Home, last week in Dec. 1954 in Clerical and Janitors' Salaries, and an extra half year in Employees' Retirement System, making the fiscal year begin on Jan. 1 and end on Dec. 31, instead of a week early, as before.)

**DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES**

for the year ending December 31, 1955

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**OFFICERS SALARIES**

Payments for year ending December 31, 1955

*Treasurers' Salaries:*

Earle R. Stockbridge, 4th Quarter, 1954	\$200.00
Winston H. Lothrop, 1955	800.00

Total	\$1,000.00
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*Solicitor:*

Lindsey R. Brigham, 4th Quarter, 1954	550.00
For 1955	2,200.00

Total	\$2,750.00
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*Sheriff:*

Simes Frink, 1955	\$1,500.00
Last Quarter, 1954	375.00

Total	\$1,875.00
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*Auditors:*

Howard C. Abbott	\$250.00
John Loughlin	250.00

Total	\$500.00
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**OFFICERS EXPENSES:**

Payments for year ending December 31, 1955

Commissioners Expenses, 1955	\$2,502.29
Commissioners Expenses, 4th Quarter, 1954	622.55
American Public Welfare Assn., dues	10.00
Howard Abbott, Auditor's Expense	28.20
Secretary of State, Set of Statutes, Solicitor's Expense	65.00



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DeMeritt Agency, Solicitor's & Treas. Bonds	232.50
Winston H. Lothrop, Treasurer's Expense	3.16
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Total	\$3,463.70

## REGISTER OF DEEDS

Payments for year ending December 31, 1955

The John A. Brown Agency, Bond	\$23.13
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	188.85
Rowe Printing Company, Index Cards, Stationery, forms, etc.	112.21
H. W. Beecher Co. adding machine Ribbon	1.15
Batchelder's Bookstore, Office Supplies	146.15
H. A. Manning Co., Directory	23.32
Crowley & Lunt, Directory	22.50
M. A. Lopardo, clock	35.00
Underwood Corporation, typewriter	147.50
Neal Printing & Binding Co.	2,642.90
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Total	\$3,342.71

## REGISTER OF PROBATE

Payments for year ending December 31, 1955

Underwood Corporation, typewriter	\$122.50
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	270.50
Hall & McChesney, Inc. Record Volumes numbered, etc.	434.04
Tuttle Stationery Co., Forms, stationery, etc.	301.65
Frank B. Nay, Register, clerical, postage, etc.	1,831.10
Rowe Printing Co., stationery, forms, etc	194.00
The Hampton Publishing Co., Legal Notices, Ledger sheets, Record Binders, Lettering, Art Metal table, etc.	616.45
News Enterprise Press, legal notices	30.50
Squamscott Press, printing forms	12.50

Manifold Supplies Co. of Mass., typewriter ribbons	19.50
Burroughs Corporation, Ribbons & mechanical service	21.01
H. A. Manning, Directory	23.32
Crowley & Lunt, Directory	22.50
Harry T. Flanders, Office Supplies	123.73
O. H. Cammett, Flourescent lamp & starter, labor	2.95
Carl Larson, office supplies	376.53
Leonard C. Hardwick, Acting Judge of Probate	24.48
Total	<hr/> \$4,427.26

## SUPPLIES FOR PHOTOCOPY MACHINE

Payments for year ending December 31, 1955

Central Heating & Plumbing Co., Repairs & Parts	\$52.13
The Haloid Co., Supplies & freight	5,496.84
Young Hardware Co.	1.79
Alfred L. Bertrand, Electrician, Labor	17.90
Total	<hr/> \$5,568.66

## OFFICE SUPPLIES

POSTAGE, TELEPHONE, AND OTHER EXPENSE

Payments for year ending December 31, 1955

Mary I. Wasson, Postmaster, E. Kingston, stamped envelopes	\$115.62
Albert D. Holmer, Postmaster, Exeter, Treasurer's stamped envelopes, postage for county reports, stamps, parcel post	142.14
Frederick Rowe, Postmaster, Portsmouth, stamps	12.00

Theodore Butler, Postmaster, Portsmouth, stamps	20.00
James O'Connell, Postmaster, Fremont, stamps	24.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	1,093.52
Rowe Printing Co., bill forms, stationery, pads, etc.	54.00
Harry T. Flanders, desk pads, stapler	6.75
Young Office Equipment Co., Treasurer's File, Card File, Rubber stamps, pads & bases, scotch tape, Typewriter repair, ribbon, etc.	102.36
Strawberry Bank Print Shop, stationery, forms, town officers Directory, etc.	185.44
Eileen Gratton, Postals	.96
Batchelder's Bookstore, envelopes, mimeo- paper & ink, desk blotters, ink, cards, etc.	35.89
The Todd Co., 7000 checks	81.51
Chauncey B. Hoyt & Co., office supplies	71.40
News-Enterprise Press, stationery	12.00
Tabor Stamp Works, Desk signs	9.31
Dorothy R. Bassett, Town Officers Directory Cover	10.00
Burroughs Corporation, Mechanical Service, Ribbon	194.25
Kiplinger Washington Agency, Kiplinger Letters	18.00
A. E. Martel Co., Direct Relief Orders & Duplicate Blanks	62.10
Ella M. Stiles, Parcel Post	.59
Edward J. Campbell, express	2.25
The Hedman Co., check writer service	27.00
Crowley & Lunt, Directory	22.50
State of N. H., Maps of County	1.50
Total	<hr/> \$2,401.07

CARE AND SUPPLIES FOR THE PORTSMOUTH COURT HOUSE  
for the year ending December 31, 1955

Robert Pike, Janitor	\$2,750.00
Standard Plumbing & Heating, labor on heater	266.54
Littlefield Lumber Co., material for roof	46.81
L. L. Peavey Co., supplies	132.40
Glazer & Fox, supplies	490.45
Edward H. Paterson, paints, etc.	24.91
Eagle Photo Supply Co., pictures in Court Room	41.75
Fred L. Tower Co. (Directory)	12.90
Mass. Gas & Electric Light, lights	39.31
Elwell's Insurance Agency, Public Liab.	140.24
Coffey Glass & Mirror Co.	24.75
Wendell's	8.96
Charles Collum (sign work)	16.00
N. H. Electric Co., service	250.35
Portsmouth Electric Shop, bulbs, etc.	53.40
Callahan Oil Service	1,328.31
N. H. Profiles	3.50
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	439.71
Allied N. H. Gas Co., Installation & service	38.68
Thompson Water Cooler Co.	77.75
Portsmouth Water Dept.	16.52
Portsmouth Paper Co., supplies for surplus foods	37.25
McNeil's Express, rubbish removal	17.00
Clement R. Moulton, labor on heater	64.85
Portsmouth Hdwe. & Plumbing, heater parts	16.86
Ocean & Forest Products Co., sweeping comp.	19.50
Exeter News Letter, Bid Notice	1.33
Hampton Publishing Co., secretarial Chair & Oil bid notice	31.00
Quality Watch Shop, Repair	8.50
Sam's Furniture Co.	72.00
Portsmouth Herald, Oil Bid Notice	2.34



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Morin's Joiner Shop	5.85
Portsmouth Duraclean Service, rug cleaned	40.00
Dimick Printing Co., typewriter cover	1.50
Kline's Furniture Co., mirror, gent's room	9.95
Chauncey B. Hoyt & Co.	3.00
Derry News, sub.	2.50
M. J. Murphy Co., Roof Repairs	642.60
Portsmouth Lino-Mart, rubber mats	24.70
Harper Bruch Works, brooms	23.08
Frederick A. Champion, cleaning fluid	14.28
Charles E. Trafton Agency, Boiler & Compensation Insurance	233.05
Roland H. Ripley & Son., boiler repairs	7.50
J. Zeidman, Welding, boiler repairs	54.50
Harry B. Sawyer, used ladder	28.00
Worrell Mfg. Co., supplies	36.60
Rockingham Electrical Supply Co.	3.56
Eastern Auto Parts Corp.	10.20
McCaffery's Jenney Station, plowing snow	30.00
Total	\$7,644.74

## CARE AND SUPPLIES FOR THE EXETER COURT HOUSE for the year ending December 31, 1955

Edward J. Campbell, Janitor	\$1,273.00
Theodore Mikolyski, Asst. Janitor	50.00
U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue	105.00
Employees' Retirement System	48.00
Asbestos Products Co., dust cloths	4.00
Pioneer Mfg. Co., paper towels, tissue	34.00
Elwell Insurance Agency, Public Liability	70.12
Callahan Oil Service, oil, cleaning burner	833.19
Merrimack Farmers Exchange	5.07
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.	168.77
Winwar, Inc., mops and handles	11.66
Thompson Water Cooler Co., rent of coolers	138.00

Exeter Water Dept.	44.67
Rochester Germicide Co., disinfectant	8.88
Star Cleaners, (towels laundered)	8.50
Haley's Market, soap, cleanser, etc.	3.29
William Carter, patching stairway, plaster, lime, labor	39.30
Fred W. Greenlaw & Son, Roof Repairs	55.75
Exeter News Letter Co., oil bid notice	1.33
John Higgins (Fire Extinguishers refilled)	5.50
Frank F. Richards, labor on windows, screens, storm windows, moulding for pictures, setting glass, etc.	79.30
Hampton Publishing Co., oil bid notice	1.00
The Portsmouth Herald, oil bid notice	2.33
The Ocean & Forest Products Co., sweeping compound	5.00
D. F. Munroe Co., tissue	24.00
Kimball's Hardware, waste baskets, sandpaper, etc.	7.43
Allied Service, Inc., labor & materials for burner	36.10
Charles E. Trafton Agency, audit & boiler insurance & compensation	213.39
The C. B. Dolge Co., disinfectant blocks	5.00
The Worrell Mfg. Co., cleaning & waxing supplies	279.50
Central Heating & Plumbing Co., Water Cooler and Toilet jobs, valves, etc.	66.64
Young Hdwe. Co., 11 ft. chain & roll of wire	.92
dep Chemical Co., deodorant blocks, disinfectant	14.00
Thomas H. Cronshaw, painting	10.00
Allan H. Murray, floor brush	7.00
O. H. Cammett, labor on lights	2.00

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The Merrimack Sales Co., floor wax & applicator	10.00
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Total	\$3,671.64
Arthur W. Johnson, Artist, restoring pictures	500.00

## CARE AND SUPPLIES FOR THE COUNTY RECORDS BUILDING

for the year ending December 31, 1955

Edward J. Campbell, Janitor	\$1,578.10
U. S. Director of Internal Revenue	121.20
Employees Retirement System	54.70
Theodore Mikolyski, Asst. Janitor	70.00
Pioneer Manufacturing Co., towels, tissue	47.95
Luxor Lighting Products, starters, fluorescent bulbs	189.53
Central Heating & Plumbing Co., toilet job, 2 Minn. ther. controls for radiators, labor, 3 Minn. rad. controls	524.92
Elwell's Insurance Agency, Public Liability	70.12
Callahan Oil Service, oil & cleaning burner	883.30
Merrimack Farmers Exchange, brooms	5.07
O. H. Cammett, changing hall light, fixture repairs, etc.	45.76
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	580.99
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.	739.67
Thompson Water Cooler Co., rental of cooler	138.00
Exeter Water Dept.	56.56
Rochester Germicide Co., disinfectant blocks, etc.	14.00
Asbestos Products Co., dust cloths	6.80
Haley's Market, soap, cleaner, etc.	5.81
Frank F. Richards, labor & materials, repairing front door, dumb waiter, removing porch, changing lock, window job, storm windows, screen, etc.	182.47

Exeter News Letter Co., oil bid notice	1.34
Hampton Publishing Co., oil bid notice	1.00
Portsmouth Herald, oil bid notice	2.33
John Higgins, fire extinguisher refilled	4.00
Charles H. Pitman, labor & material installing hall lights, etc.	315.68
Young Hardware Co., hardware for windows	1.43
The Ocean & Forest Products Co., sweeping compound	10.00
D. F. Munroe Co., towels, tissue	33.07
Kimball's Hdwe. Co., hardware for toilet job, etc.	16.46
Herbert O. Trofatter, repairing light; tubes	11.00
The Merrimack Sales Co., towels, etc.	12.05
Charles E. Trafton Agency, audit, boiler & compensation insurance	285.39
C. B. Dolge Co., deodorant blocks	9.31
The Worrell Mfg. Co., cleaning & polishing supplies	315.68
Winwar & Sons, mop, handles	9.94
Fred W. Greenlaw & Son, Inc., cleaning gutter & repairing slate on roof	7.65
A. V. Deene, keys	3.00
Sleepers Jewelry Store, clock repair	5.00
R. H. White Co., electric fans	9.90
Meras Exeter Co., chairs & tables for Superior Court	366.45
dep Chemical Co., deodorant blocks	10.00
Granite State Nurseries, labor on ivy	4.90
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	\$6,750.53
Thomas H. Cronshaw, Painting Interior	1,285.00
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Total	\$8,035.53



## CARE OF PRISONERS

Payments for year ending December 31, 1955

Thomas F. O'Brien, Sheriff, Board & Care of Prisoners lodged at Hillsborough Co.	
Jail @ \$1.75 per day	\$3,983.20
Jean N. Leclerc, M.D., Fees for prisoners seen at jail	40.00
Total	<hr/> \$4,023.20

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Old Age Assistance	\$9,505.93
Alien Old Age Assistance	2,903.75
Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled	1,452.64
Total	<hr/> \$13,862.32

## BOARD AND CARE OF CHILDREN

Month	No. of Children	Amount
January	131	\$5,330.50
February	131	5,216.49
March	132	5,465.36
April	130	5,052.94
May	132	4,996.90
June	128	4,675.18
July	131	4,529.93
August	116	4,377.04
September	113	4,133.72
October	117	4,302.01
November	117	4,522.68
December	117	4,853.45
Total		<hr/> \$57,456.20

DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES  
in the Towns and City of Portsmouth  
by Rockingham County

Auburn	\$181.95
Brentwood	338.01
Candia	63.36
Chester	71.87
Danville	16.00
Deerfield	237.12
Derry	3,685.46
East Kingston	756.17
Epping	5,229.47
Exeter	1,493.74
Greenland	45.21
Hampton	2,118.78
Hampton Falls	106.61
Kingston	493.44
Londonderry	1,315.09
Newfields	41.50
Newington	377.95
Newmarket	1,051.11
Newton	18.00
North Hampton	2.98
Northwood	352.75
Nottingham	540.55
Plaistow	508.86
Portsmouth	23,306.01
Raymond	525.40
Rye	938.62
Salem	1,005.38
Sandown	101.75
Seabrook	1,373.69
Stratham	521.20
Total	<hr/> \$46,818.03

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Wood Expense	150.00
Moving Furniture	14.00
Rent of Derry Office	150.00
Surplus Commodities	532.72

## County Workers Expense for Dec, 1954

Time	\$151.25
Mileage	80.72
Meals	21.00
Misc., Tel.	9.20

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262.17

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Total Direct Relief \$47,926.92

(Exeter District, \$14,530.46; Derry District  
\$8,573.47; Portsmouth District \$24,822.99)

Of this amount \$8,177.75 was spent for Soliders' Aid.

## INVESTIGATOR'S SALARY

From Jan. 1, 1955 through Dec. 31, 1955

Ella M. Stiles	\$2,400.00
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## INVESTIGATOR'S EXPENSES

January through December, 1955

Meals	\$88.45
Mileage	591.97

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Total \$680.42

(Exeter District \$233.47; Derry District  
\$386.36; Portsmouth District \$24.76; Child-  
ren Boarded Investigations \$35.83)

## COUNTY CLERICAL

Payments for year ending December 31, 1955

Salaries of 4 Clerks	\$6,903.19
Substitute, Portsmouth Office	120.00

U. S. Collector Internal Revenue	217.20
Employees' Retirement System	405.61
Expense of State Meeting	2.75
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Total	\$7,648.75

## INTEREST ON BONDS

Payments for year ending December 31, 1955

The National Shawmut Bank of Boston	\$860.00
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## PAYMENT ON BONDS

The National Shawmut Bank of Boston	\$24,000.00
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## INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOAN

The First National Bank of Boston	\$3,066.03
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## COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

Richard Kelley, Treasurer	\$15,592.87
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## EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Payments for year ending December 31, 1955

State of New Hampshire, last half of 1954	\$2,415.86
For 1955, County's Share	5,178.73

Total	<hr/> \$7,594.59
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## INSURANCE

Joseph S. Hills Agency	\$7,232.65
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## STATE AUDIT

Payments for the year ending, December 31, 1955

Division of Municipal Accounting,	
State Tax Commission	\$636.46



## DELEGATION EXPENSE

Payments for the year ending, December 31, 1955

Portsmouth Herald, Notice of Public Hearing and Estimated budget	\$25.00
Time and mileage of members and delegates	428.58
Total	<hr/> \$453.58

## SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Payments for the year ending, December 31, 1955

Fees for Sheriff and Deputies	\$12,153.89
Expenses for Sheriff and Deputies	10,026.83

## RADIO REPAIRS, ETC.

Lloyd M. Currier	\$482.55
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## SUPPLIES

Dimick Printing Co., Typewriting paper and imprinting	\$19.50
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## RADIO TOWER AT COUNTY HOME

WHEB, Inc., Tower	\$1,000.00
George Bernier, Welding	10.00
City Concrete Co., Inc., concrete	464.80
WMUR Radio-TV, 1 FM Pylon Tower	50.00
O. H. Cammett, 4 lengths ½ in. steel tube	5.20
Edward H. Patterson, paint	64.55
American Lightning Rod Co. Inc., materials for grounding Radio Antenna	80.42
J. Zeidman, Labor & Materials, welding and threading bolts	57.50
Griffin Equipment Co., labor & equipment	199.00
Ralph E. Stevens, Deputy Sheriff, labor	137.00
Total	<hr/> \$2,068.47

**ROCKINGHAM COUNTY FINANCIAL REPORT**

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**Balance Sheet***Assets*

Cash on Hand December 31, 1955	\$31,414.05
Accounts due County:	
County Home	33,422.23
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Total Assets	\$64,836.28
Surplus	11,652.19
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	\$53,184.09

*Liabilities*

## Outstanding Bonds:

Power Plant and Laundry ls 56	\$20,000.00
Building Bonds 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ s 1956-62	28,000.00

## Reserved for Authorized Expenditures:

Herdsmen's House	2,684.09
Exeter Court House	2,500.00

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Total Liabilities	\$53,184.09
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Debt December 31, 1954	\$14,759.13
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Surplus December 31, 1955	\$11,652.19
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**SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES**

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*Receipts*

Taxes from Towns and City	\$384,813.13
Income from Institutions	172,610.18
Reimbursement for Support of Poor:	
Direct Relief	403.61
Children Boarded	8,092.02
Old Age Assistance	890.41
Surplus Commodities	160.21
Superior Court	10.78
Medical Referee, 1954 Acct.	180.62
Temporary Loan	350,000.00
All Other Receipts	110.87
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Total Receipts	\$917,271.83
Cash on hand at beginning of year	34,469.25
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	\$951,741.08

*Payments*

Salaries	\$21,573.75
Expenses of Officers	15,131.77
Care and Supplies, Records Building and	
Court Houses	22,252.98
Superior Court	37,632.65
Sheriff's Department	22,682.77
Public Welfare	384,483.09
Interest on Indebtedness	3,926.03
Indebtedness	374,000.00
Cooperative Extension Service	15,592.87
New Barn	261.51
Supplies for Photocopy Machine	5,568.66

All Other Payments	17,220.95
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	\$920,327.03
Balance on hand at end of year	31,414.05
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	\$951,741.08

### DETAIL OF RECEIPTS

#### (a) *Current Revenue:*

##### Taxes from Towns and City

Atkinson	\$2,601.34
Auburn	3,744.23
Brentwood	2,593.64
Candia	3,497.95
Chester	3,370.96
Danville	2,020.27
Deerfield	3,494.10
Derry	22,661.65
East Kingston	1,766.29
Epping	4,864.04
Exeter	31,400.75
Fremont	2,228.07
Greenland	3,736.54
Hampstead	4,825.56
Hampton	37,253.76
Hampton Falls	4,005.90
Kensington	2,004.88
Kingston	6,141.62
Londonderry	6,895.85
New Castle	4,852.49
Newington	5,895.34
Newfields	1,604.67
Newmarket	10,282.21
Newton	3,513.34



North Hampton	10,382.26
Northwood	5,218.07
Nottingham	2,651.36
Plaistow	8,604.42
Portsmouth	114,893.66
Raymond	4,906.37
Rye	18,040.04
Salem	22,242.20
Sandown	2,139.56
Seabrook	8,719.87
South Hampton	1,335.30
Stratham	3,651.87
Windham	6,772.70
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	\$384,813.13

(b) *Income from Institutions:*

County Home and Hospital	
George W. Hilton, Supt.	\$171,838.98
Portsmouth Court House:	
Rent, N. H. Seacoast Ass'n.	120.00
Rent, N. H. Probation Dept.	200.00
Rent, N. H. Judicial Council	52.00
N. H. Fire Insurance Co.,	
Windstorm Damage	394.20
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	766.20
Exeter Court House:	
Jack Shepard, for rug runners	5.00

(c) *Reimbursement for Support of Poor:*

1. Direct Relief:	
Perley Hartford (Howard Lace's check)	\$4.94
Sidney Slate, Cash	2.00

Alvaros Cole, Insurance on truck	14.52
Town of Hudson for Winnibel Desmond	142.45
Town of Chester for Ruth Wells	219.70
City of Manchester for Shepherd Family	20.00

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\$403.61

2. Boarded Children:

N. H. Dept. Public Welfare:

Richard Loukes	\$222.60
Lane, John & Jean	459.42
Steeves, Richard, Joanne & Mary	1,044.00
Turgeon, Paul, Ellen, Ronald, Raymond	729.60
Searles, Clayton, Leslie & George	939.60

N. H. Probation Dept.:

Glen Brown	200.00
Warren Putney	10.00
George Ingalls	340.00
Cornelius Collins	665.00
Walter Stocking	78.00
Raymond Westgate	110.00
Hector Bouchard	100.00
Nelson Taylor	150.00

U. S. Treasury:

Gooley, Patricia, Susan, Linda, Peggy	1,299.20
Thorley, Marcia	222.60
Mrs. Harold Clemens, Refund	8.00
Olive Putnam for Marilyn & Robert Vezeau	20.00
Mrs. Frank Thorne for Robert Smith	30.00
Joseph Linscott for John, Janet and Robert	780.00

June Sawyer, for John & Ernest Carpenter	80.00	
Kenneth Caswell, for William, Ronald & Joseph	85.00	
Frank Donnell for Caroleana	15.00	
Armand Cournoyer for Mary, Grace, Mathilda & Paul	20.00	
Carolyn Walton for Stevens Children	124.00	
Arthur Chase for Frances	50.00	
Charles Buckman for Jon, Bradley, Patricia & Marjorie	310.00	
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		\$8,092.02

## 3. Old Age Assistance:

## State of New Hampshire:

Carrie Chapman	\$1.45	
Georgianna Smith	27.85	
Mae Chamberlain	18.66	
Frank Wyman	44.14	
George L. Brown	22.57	
Nettie M. Kimball	6.36	
William Hurley (Alien)	75.39	
Eva F. Scott	65.11	
Abbie L. DeMerritte	63.84	
Flora B. Cilley	103.66	
Mary N. Langley	461.38	
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		\$890.41

## 4. Surplus Commodities:

Up to March, 1955.

Delivery and 6% Market Value from the Towns of:

Atkinson	\$26.19
Brentwood	6.02
Danville	8.75

Deerfield	8.11
Epping	17.12
Hampstead	20.77
Hampton	14.91
Kensington	14.42
Newmarket	15.85
Newton	7.13
Nottingham	9.62
Raymond	11.32

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\$160.21

(d) *Superior Court:*

David Zerinski Jury Payroll Check returned 10.78

(e) *Medical Referee Account, 1954:*

Earle R. Stockbridge, Former County  
Treasurer, (check entered twice) 180.62

(f) *Temporary Loans:*

First National Bank of Boston 350,000.00

(g) *All Other Receipts:*

Alvin E. Foss, Toll Calls	\$18.20
Albert G. Fuller, Toll Calls	54.18
Winston H. Lothrop, Toll Calls	33.53
Gladys E. McCoy	2.21
Howard Campbell, Derry	1.75
Merrimack Chemical Co., Refund	1.00

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\$110.87

Total Receipts	\$917,271.83
Cash on hand at beginning of year	34,469.25
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	\$951,741.08



**DETAILS OF PAYMENTS**  
**CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES**

*General Government:*

1.	(a)	Salaries of Commissioners	\$5,400.00
	(b)	Salary of Treasurer	1,000.00
	(c)	Salary of Solicitor	2,750.00
	(d)	Salary of Sheriff	1,875.00
	(e)	Salaries of Auditors	500.00
	(f)	Fees of Medical Referee	2,764.10
2.	(a)	Expenses of Above Officers	3,463.70
	(b)	Register of Deeds	3,342.71
	(c)	Register of Probate	4,427.26
	(d)	Supplies for Photocopy Machine	5,568.66
3.		Care and Supplies:	
	(a)	Exeter Court House	4,171.64
	(b)	Portsmouth Court House	7,644.74
	(c)	County Records Building	8,035.53

*Superior Court:*

4.	Jury Payrolls	11,540.94
5.	State vs. — Payrolls	1,592.24
6.	Referee and Master (inc. in Misc. Court)	
7.	Counsel Fees	980.50
8.	Stenographer	6,831.08
9.	Clerk of Court, Misc.	16,687.89
10.	Salaries of Sheriff and Deputies	12,153.89
11.	Expenses of Sheriff and Deputies	10,026.83
	Supplies of Sheriff and Deputies	19.50
12.	Radio Repairs, Radio Tower, etc. of Sheriff and Deputies	2,551.02

*Public Welfare:*

13.	County Home and Hospital	258,013.03
14.	Jail, Care of Prisoners	4,023.20
15.	Old Age Assistance	13,862.32
16.	Board and Care of Children	57,577.20
17.	Direct Relief	46,818.03
	Rent of Derry Office	150.00
	County Workers Expense (Dec. 1954)	262.17
	Surplus Commodities	532.72
	Wood Expense	150.00
	Moving Furniture (Portsmouth Dist.)	14.00
18.	Salary of Investigator	2,400.00
	Expense of Investigator	680.42

*Interest and Indebtedness:*

19.	Interest paid on Temporary Loans	3,066.03
20.	Interest paid on Indebtedness	860.00
21.	Payment of Principal of Bonds	24,000.00
22.	Repayment of Temporary Loans	350,000.00

*Outlay for New Construction:*

23.	New Barn	261.51
24.	Herdsmen's House	1,315.91
25.	Architect's Survey	500.00

*Clerical Salaries:*

26.	Clerical Salaries, 4 Clerks and one substitute (Includes expense of State Meeting \$2.75)	7,648.75
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*All other payments:*

27.	Soil Conservation	600.00
28.	Co. Cooperative Extension Service	15,592.87
29.	Office Supplies, Postage, Telephone	2,401.07

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30. Employees Retirement System	7,594.59
31. Delegation Expense	453.58
32. Printing County Reports	353.29
33. Insurance	7,232.65
34. State Audit	636.46
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Total Payments	\$920,327.03
Cash on hand at end of year	31,414.05
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	\$951,741.08

## COMPARATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

	Dec.31, 1955	Dec. 31, 1954
Bonds Outstanding	\$48,000.00	\$72,000.00
Treasurer's Cash Balance	31,414.05	34,469.25
Debt, 1954		14,759.13
Surplus, 1955	11,652.19	

## COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand December 31, 1954	\$34,469.25
Receipts for the year 1955	917,271.83
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	951,741.08
Total Payments for the Year, 1955	920,327.03
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Balance on hand at end of year, 1955	\$31,414.05

WINSTON H. LOTHROP

*County Treasurer*

## COUNTY AUDITOR'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1955

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Rockingham County

Exeter, N. H., Jan. 12, 1956

As required by law, we have made quarterly examinations of the accounts of the County Treasurer, County Commissioners, and the Superintendent of the County Farm, and find same to be correct with satisfactory vouchers for all disbursements.

The County Commissioners have received for their services and expenses as follows:

Alvin E. Foss	
Salary	\$1,800.00
Expense	698.60
Albert G. Fuller	
Salary	1,800.00
Expense	817.71
Ira A. Brown	
Salary	1,800.00
Expense	985.98
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	\$7,902.29

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County Treasurer's Account

Bal. on Hand — Jan. 1, 1955	\$34,469.25
Receipts — Year Ending Dec.	
31, 1955	917,271.83
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	\$951,741.08
Payments — Year Ending	

December 31, 1955	920,327.03	
Balance— December 31, 1955	<u>                    </u>	
As Per Cash Book		\$31,414.05
Balance in Exeter Banking Co. and Rockingham National Bank As Per Statements of Jan. 1, 1956	\$55,401.37	
Less: Outstanding Orders	23,987.32	
Reconciled Bank Balance As of December 31, 1955	<u>                    </u>	\$31,414.05

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#### County Farm Superintendent's Account

Total Amount of Receipts from Institution Year Ending Dec. 31, 1955	\$171,838.98
Total Remittances to County Treasurer Year Ending Dec. 31, 1955	171,838.98
Superintendent's Balance on Hand January 1, 1955	.00
Superintendent's Balance on Hand December 31, 1955	.00

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#### Indebtedness — December 31, 1955

Outstanding Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes	.00
Outstanding Long Term Notes	.00
Outstanding Bonds	\$48,000.00
Bills Owed by County	.00



**County Taxes Uncollected — December 31, 1955**

County Taxes Due from Towns and Cities .00

Signed

HOWARD C. ABBOTT,

JOHN P. LOUGHLIN,

*County Auditors*

Date: January 20, 1956

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January 10, 1956

Rockingham County has no outstanding bills at the close of the fourth quarter, ending December 31, 1955.

We, the undersigned Rockingham County Commissioners, solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ALBERT G. FULLER,

IRA A. BROWN,

ALVIN E. FOSS,

*Board of Rockingham*

*County Commissioners.*

January 10, 1956

The above named Rockingham County Commissioners personally appeared before me as Justice of the Peace on January 10, 1956 and took oath that the above statement is true.

GLADYS E. MCCOY,

*Justice of the Peace.*

**SCHEDULE OF COUNTY PROPERTY**

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*Land and Buildings:*

County Home and Mitchell Memorial Hospital	\$898,500.00
Portsmouth Court House	153,000.00
Exeter Court House	120,000.00
County Records Building	116,000.00

*Furniture and Equipment:*

At County Home and Mitchell Memorial Hospital per inventory Dec. 31, 1953	120,500.00
Portsmouth Court House	10,000.00
Exeter Court House	7,500.00
County Records Building	20,000.00
Total Valuation	<hr/> \$1,445,500.00

## REPORT OF CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT

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*To the County Commissioners of  
Rockingham County:*

The following is an account of my transactions as Clerk of Superior Court for the County of Rockingham for the January Term, 1955 (January 1 to March 31, 1955); the April Term, 1955 (April 1 to August 31, 1955) and the September Term, 1955 (September 1 to December 31, 1955).

*County Charged:*

To reporting 163 divorces; 7 legal separations; 9 annulments, total 179 @ .15 . . . .	\$26.85
To paid supplies . . . . .	9.95
To paid stamps and stamped envelopes . . . .	386.12
To paid lunches steno. Natzn. . . . .	2.40
To paid express . . . . .	3.81
To issuing (26) Mitt; (20) NHPD Ctfs.; (81 Capiases); (9) Ords. Com.; total 136 @ \$1.00 . . . . .	136.00
To issuing 2 cert. copies Indictments . . . .	2.00
To issuing 18 Trans. to and from State Hos. . .	18.00
To issuing 3 cert. copies Exam. Bd Appt. . .	3.00
To issuing 1 Summons Sexual Psychopath Case . . . . .	1.00
To issuing 2 Trans. to Hillsborough County Jail . . . . .	2.00
To issuing 15 Summons Unif. Dep. Law . . .	15.00
To paid Com'r Motor Vehicles fines:	
3879-S S v Parks fine, \$100; 3875-S S v Morin, \$25; 3952-S S v Montague, \$500; 3962-S S v Abbott, \$100; 3961-S S v Dakers, \$10; 3895-S S v Steele, \$50; 3884-S S v George, \$15; 3931-S S v Phipps, \$15; 3947-S S v Lavoie, \$200; 3937-S S v Gauvin, \$75; 4005-S S v Tranhan, \$50, total .	\$1,140.00

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Allowance for Clerk and Clerical Hire . . . .	11,902.98
Recording . . . . .	889.35
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	\$14,538.46

## County Credited:

1955 — fines & costs:

3879-S S v Parks fine \$100; 3890-S S v Byrnes costs \$25; 3905-S S v Fucci fine \$25; 7507 Twombly v Twombly costs \$10; 3875-S S v Morin fine \$25; 8467 Gingras v Gingras costs NHPD \$4.40; 7923 Brown v Brown costs \$4.80; 3952-S S v Montague fine \$500; 7881 Uloth v Uloth costs NHPD \$6; 3962-S S v Abbott fine \$100; 3961-S S v Dakers fine \$10; 3895-S S v Steele fine \$50; 3884-S S v George fine \$15; 3937-S S v Gauvin fine \$75; 3931-S S v Phipps fine \$15; 3947-S S v Lavoie fine \$200; 4005-S S v Trahan fine \$50., total . . . . .	\$1,215.20
By new entries — Civil, Equity, Appeals, Sessions, total 989 @ \$2.50 . . . . .	2,472.50
By use of phone, postage and envelope . . . .	65.58
By sale of dockets & Rules of Court . . . . .	226.00
Fees chargeable to County . . . . .	203.85
Allowance for Clerk and clerical hire drawn	9,465.98
Recording drawn . . . . .	889.35
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	\$14,538.46

County credited	\$14,538.46
County charged	\$14,538.46
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January 16, 1956.

Respectfully submitted,  
 ARTHUR J. CALL, JR.,  
*Clerk of Court*

**ROCKINGHAM COUNTY SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

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There were two homicide cases in Rockingham County during the past year. These were the first since 1950. In both cases the respondents entered pleas of guilty in the first degree in Superior Court and were sentenced to life imprisonment. No other major crimes were committed.

The lesser felonies consisted of larceny by check, larceny, and breaking and entering. In 1955 there were approximately the same number of such crimes as in recent years. Most of the respondents entered pleas of guilty and were either placed on probation or committed to the House of Correction. One felony case was tried with a finding of guilty.

The successful conclusion of the two homicide cases was due to the excellent investigation and preparation of the Sheriff's Department, State Police and Salem Police and was greatly appreciated.

LINDSEY R. BRIGHAM,

*County Solicitor*



## SHERIFF'S REPORT

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To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners for the County of Rockingham:

Your Sheriff's Department has had a busy year, even though we have had a few less cases to investigate, than in the top year of 1954. Two of the cases were of serious nature requiring extensive investigation. These were murder cases in which the respondents in both cases, departed from the State even before the law enforcement officers throughout the County even knew that the crime had been committed. Co-operation by all law enforcement agencies has resulted in the parties who committed the crimes being returned to the County, and have now been brought before your Superior Court and are now serving time for the crimes which they committed.

I want the citizens of the County to know that I appreciate the prompt and efficient manner in which our Attorney General Louis C. Wyman and our County Solicitor Lindsey R. Brigham aided in the apprehension and the disposition of these two murder cases. Also I want to thank all of our local citizens and members of the various local and State departments for the fine help and co-operation they have given in these serious cases as well as in many other cases in the past.

The respondents in both cases came into court and pleaded "guilty", to the charge of murder and by so doing saved the costs of a jury trial, which probably would have amounted to well over fifteen thousand dollars. I personally spent a great deal of time with both of the respondents in each case and also, with their families, and I was able to convince them that we had a very strong case built up against them, and that they were better off to come into Court and plead, rather than to

create a great expense to their families and to the County of Rockingham.

The Department's Radio System has proved to be a great help in keeping down crime and the comment is often made, "Why is it, considering the size of your County, that the surrounding Counties seem to have so many more breaking, entering and larceny cases?" I believe the radio, along with the Sheriff's night patrol from 1 a.m. until daylight in the troublesome times of the year is the answer. As I have stated in the past, the results of the night patrol by deputy sheriffs has been most beneficial as has been shown by the drop in breaking, entry and larceny cases within our County. I should like to see this service extended, and I hope that our County Delegation will see fit to give us five hundred dollars more this year, to be used for this service.

I am grateful to the Commissioners and to the County delegation, for the new radio tower, as it gives us better and more extended radio coverage. We hope to have four more radios installed in the cars of Deputy Sheriffs before the year is out, through the co-operation of the County and the Civil Defense Organization.

Crime within the County of Rockingham was never any nearer cleaned up, than at the present time and, I believe the credit for the same should go to all law enforcement officers within the County, together with our Municipal and Superior Court Judges, for their prompt action in their handling criminal cases whenever the prosecuting officers were ready to present their cases. I am grateful to all County officers, our Clerk of Superior Court, all of our town officers, and to Marshall Betz and his department of the City of Portsmouth, and to all of the various State Departments for their assistance and co-operation.

May I again remind you that my services and those of my department are at all times available and please feel free to call whenever assistance is needed.

I extend to my Deputies my appreciation for your efficient work and herewith submit a list of all of my Deputies for the year of 1956.

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## DEPUTY SHERIFFS

George Sampson	Brentwood
William H. Walker	Deerfield
Kenneth M. Bisbee	Derry
Everett E. Judkins	Epping
Charles B. Osgood	Exeter
Jonathan Wentworth	Hampstead
Floyd I. Gale	Hampton
Ralph E. Stevens	Londonderry
Ralph Berry	Newmarket
Cecil M. Neal	Portsmouth
Leland W. Davis	Portsmouth
A. Manning Remick	Rye
Arthur H. Abbott	Salem

## SPECIAL DEPUTIES

George B. Hilton	Brentwood
E. Chandler Sanborn	Exeter
Emile J. Dion	Derry
George Brown	Portsmouth
Marion D. Frink	Portsmouth

Respectfully submitted,  
SIMES FRINK, *Sheriff*.

**REPORT OF DEPUTY SHERIFF'S**

In Accordance with Chapter 65, Laws of 1951

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Salem, N. H.  
March 17, 1955

Rockingham County Commissioners:

I hereby submit my income for the year 1954.

Court Attendance	\$40.00
Meals	4.00
Travel and Expenses	20.80
Services of Civil Processes	283.14

ARTHUR H. ABBOTT,  
*Deputy Sheriff.*

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Londonderry, N. H.

I hereby submit my income for the year 1954.

Court Attendance	\$270.00
Meals	94.65
Travel	177.20
Criminal Investigation	660.00
Services of Civil Processes	440.00
Travel and Expenses	393.00

RALPH E. STEVENS,  
*Deputy Sheriff.*

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Rye, N. H.

Due to the fact that I spent several months in Florida and was ill a long time after coming home, I did not do any Deputy Sheriff work during 1954.

A. MANNING REMICK,  
*Deputy Sheriff.*

48 Franklin St.,  
Derry, N. H.  
March 16, 1955

Rockingham County Commissioners

Exeter, N. H.

Dear Sir :

I received your blank of Sec. 1 Chapter 65 laws of 1951. A blank stating my income as special Deputy Sheriff of Rockingham County. I wish to state that I received no income in 1954. I was merely in court the later part of January and the first few days of February 1955 for which I received the amount of \$10.00 per day plus mileage and meals.

I believe this will answer your letter and if there is anything further please let me know.

EMILE J. DION,  
*Deputy Sheriff.*



### ROCKINGHAM COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

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Work is made possible through the cooperation of the United States Department of Agriculture, University of New Hampshire and Rockingham County. The Rockingham County Farm Bureau (through its Executive Board) is the recognized, local official organization cooperating in a supervisory capacity. County Extension Work is an Educational Program in Agriculture and Home Economics which is available to people throughout the county. Brief reports of each agent, covering the highlights of the regular lines of work i.e. County Agricultural, County Forester, Home Demonstration and 4-H Club Work have been given in the past Rockingham County Annual Reports. As suggested by the Delegation Budget Committee complete reports on the work have been omitted to save space and expense. Mimeographed reports or information covering the work will gladly be supplied by your Extension Service Office.

The main office of the Rockingham County Extension Service is in the Masonic Block, 61 Water Street, Exeter, N. H. Five regular Extension Agents are employed for work in the county. Also since February 1, 1955, we have had an Assistant Agricultural Agent on a part time basis. Your County Agricultural Agents holds office hours every Saturday morning in the County Commissioners' Office, Adams Memorial Hall, Derry, N. H. as well as office day as a rule at Exeter on Monday mornings.

County Extension Service Agents serving in Rockingham County include:

County Agricultural Agent	James A. Purington
Assistant Agricultural Agent	Robert A. Stevens
Home Demonstration Agent	Ruth G. Stimson
4-H Club Agent	Elizabeth Bourne
Assistant 4-H Club Agent	Harry B. Knox
County Forester	Roger P. Sloan

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE**

**January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955**

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**RECEIPTS**

Balance on Hand, Jan. 1, 1955	\$4,056.93
County Appropriation for 1955	15,592.87
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Total Funds available for 1955	\$19,649.80

**EXPENDITURES**

*Salaries of Agents:*

Agricultural Agent	\$2,125.00
Assist. Agricultural Agent	300.00
Home Demonstration Agent	875.00
Club Agent	825.00
Assist. Club Agent	25.00
Forester	856.00

*Salaries of Clerical Help:*

(3 regular clerks)	6,390.00
Social Security	127.80

*Travel of Agents:*

Agricultural Agent	1,002.89
Assist. Agricultural Agent	56.00
Home Demonstration Agent	839.18
Club Agent	721.87
Assist. Club Agent	781.66
Forester	599.74
Freight & Express	11.08
Janitor	15.80
Telephone & Postage	828.62
Light	52.48
Rent	840.00
Insurance & Bond	59.85

Repairs to Equipment	274.86
Supplies & Materials	1,069.27
Equipment	777.74
Miscellaneous	22.50
Building Storage Room, etc.	172.46
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Total Expenses	\$19,649.80

The above statement includes all expenditures of County appropriated funds for the Rockingham County Extension Service. State and Federal funds allotted to the Rockingham County Cooperative Extension Service by the Director of the New Hampshire Cooperative Extension Service were paid in the form of salaries and some travel to the agents from the University of New Hampshire.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD G. KELLEY, *Treas.*

JAMES A. PURINGTON,  
*County Agricultural Agent.*

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF COUNTY HOME AND MITCHELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

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December 31, 1955  
Brentwood, N. H.

*To The Honorable Board of County Commissioners:*

Gentlemen:

The annual report of the Rockingham County Home, Hospital, and House of Correction for the year ending December 31, 1955 is herewith submitted.

### DETAIL OF RECEIPTS

*Mitchell Memorial Hospital:*

Town .....	\$6,170.60	
Dept. of Public Welfare .....	58,985.99	
Private .....	13,194.16	
		<hr/> \$78,350.75

*County Home:*

Town .....	12,050.80	
Dept. of Public Welfare .....	43,725.23	
Private .....	8,529.13	
		<hr/> \$64,305.16

<i>Fines</i> .....	1,555.00	\$1,555.00
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*Farming:*

Produce .....	26,121.22	
Livestock .....	1,289.52	
Other .....	181.98	
		<hr/> \$27,592.72

<i>Miscellaneous</i> .....	35.35	\$35.35
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Total Receipts for 1955 .....		<hr/> \$171,838.98
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Less Refunds for overpayments of Accounts Receivable transferred to General Appropriation	1,050.50
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	\$170,788.48
Less Fines received and paid to Courts, transferred to General Appropriation	1,555.00
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	\$169,233.48

## DETAIL OF PAYMENTS

*Operation and Maintenance:*

Labor	\$35,048.63
Supplies	16,150.45
Equipment	4,940.05
Provisions	30,896.80
Clothing	3,428.17
Repairs	11,834.88
Insurance	1,364.92
Taxes	3,968.80
Telephone	2,358.41
Fuel	14,568.29
Electricity	3,701.11
Express and Freight	297.95
Advertising	68.24
Entertainment	129.19
Chaplain's Services	167.00
Refunds to Accts. Receivable	1,050.50
Vital Statistics	50.22
Miscellaneous	51.95
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	\$130,075.56

*Farming Operations:*

Labor	\$9,263.01
Supplies & Tools	1,111.52



Equipment .....	4,469.72
Repairs .....	1,971.94
Seeds, Fertilizer, & Sprays ..	5,704.47
Feeds:	
Dairy .....	8,646.66
Piggery .....	1,723.39
Poultry .....	1,311.55
Artificial Insemination .....	278.00
Registration Fees & Dues ...	83.50
Veterinary Fees .....	215.25
Livestock Purchased .....	1,010.00
Milk Testing .....	312.70
Miscellaneous .....	85.93

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\$36,187.64

*House of Correction:*

Labor .....	\$7,042.88
Fines .....	1,555.00

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\$8,597.88

*Hospital and Infirmary:*

Doctors' Fees .....	\$3,364.00
Nurses Salaries .....	59,655.46
Medical Supplies .....	11,406.95
Miscellaneous .....	27.00

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\$74,453.41

*Housekeeping Department:*

Labor .....	\$6,731.34	\$6,731.34
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*Inmates Home:*

Labor .....	1,967.20	1,967.20
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Total Disbursements ..... \$258,013.03

*Special For New Barn Construction  
and Repairs To Old Barn:*

Appropriation .....	\$66,055.14	
Disbursements through Dec. 31, 1954 .....	65,793.63	
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Disbursements 1955:		
Architect's Fees .....	\$122.18	
Blanchard Stebbins, Contr..	139.33	
	<hr/>	\$261.51
No unexpended balance		<hr/>

*Special For Architect's Survey:*

Appropriation .....	\$500.00	\$500.00
Disbursements through Dec. 31, 1955, Kendall Taylor & Co., Inc. ....		500.00
No unexpended balance		<hr/>

*Special For Soil Conservation Project:*

Appropriation .....	\$600.00	
Disbursements through Dec. 31, 1955, Soil Conservation Sub-District .....		600.00
No unexpended balance		<hr/>

*Special For Herdsman's House:*

Appropriation .....	\$4,000.00	
Disbursements through Dec. 31, 1955 .....	1,315.91	
Unexpended balance Dec. 31, 1955		<hr/> \$2,684.09

## SUMMARY FOR YEAR 1955

	Cash Receipts	Cash Disbursements
January .....	\$14,853.13	\$22,371.59
February .....	7,833.55	19,915.96
March .....	22,196.73	20,877.47
April .....	16,408.67	21,688.17
May .....	15,008.87	19,852.14
June .....	5,352.41	31,172.92
July .....	14,521.33	18,272.89
August .....	12,872.96	20,218.60
September .....	14,913.12	19,041.69
October .....	22,982.83	23,050.64
November .....	8,968.75	18,903.01
December .....	15,926.63	22,647.95
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	\$171,838.98	\$258,013.03
Less amounts transferred to Appropriations —	\$2,605.50	
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	\$169,233.48	
Receipts in excess of estimate	12,608.48	
1955 General Appropriation	\$250,082.00	
Plus amounts transferred from receipts to appropriation	2,605.50	
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1955 Disbursements	258,013.03	
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	\$252,687.50	
Overdraft	5,325.53	
1955 Total Disbursements	\$258,013.03	
Less Total Receipts 1955	169,233.48	
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1955 Actual Cost to Rockingham County for operating County Home, Hospital, and farm	\$88,779.55	

**Per Capita Cost of Inmates At County Home  
and Prisoners At the House of Correction**

	No. Weeks	Days
County Home & Hospital . . . . .	1,394	6
House of Correction . . . . .	1,230	4
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Total . . . . .	2,625	3
Private & Town Charges . . . . .	5,333	2
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Total Charges . . . . .	7,958	5

Statement of per capita cost is again not shown this year, as such a figure is not obtainable except by the instituting of a cost accounting system, at a cost considered prohibitive.

# **ROCKINGHAM COUNTY HOME AND MITCHELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

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	Amount paid by Towns to Mitchell Memorial Hospital	Amount paid by Towns to County Home
Atkinson . . . . .		\$804.00
Candia . . . . .	\$182.00	7.00
Deerfield . . . . .		10.00
Derry . . . . .	475.00	483.00
Epping . . . . .	430.60	28.00
Exeter . . . . .	2,450.50	1,617.00
Hampton . . . . .	884.00	1,109.50
Hampton Falls . . . . .	247.00	241.50
Kensington . . . . .		62.00
Kingston . . . . .		730.00
Newfields . . . . .	32.50	277.00
Newmarket . . . . .	97.50	105.00
Newton . . . . .	110.50	419.50
Northwood . . . . .		470.00
Nottingham . . . . .	58.50	1,320.50
Portsmouth . . . . .		2,819.50
Raymond . . . . .	1,040.00	728.50
Salem . . . . .	149.50	189.00
Sandown . . . . .		124.80
Stratham . . . . .	13.00	505.00
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	\$6,170.60	\$12,050.80



## INVENTORY OF LIVESTOCK

December 31, 1955

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Cows and Heifers (over 2 years old) . . . . .	55
Heifers (under 2 years and over 6 months) . . . . .	27
Heifers (under 6 months) . . . . .	17
Steers (over 6 months) . . . . .	24
Beef Calves (under 6 months) . . . . .	3
Bulls . . . . .	4
Sows Bred . . . . .	8
Shoats . . . . .	22
Boars . . . . .	1
Butcher hogs . . . . .	40
Hens . . . . .	365

## Crops For Year 1955

*Garden Crops:*

Summer Squash . . . . .	20 bushels
Winter Squash . . . . .	6,000 pounds
Potatoes . . . . .	2,200 bushels
Lettuce . . . . .	15 bushels
String Beans . . . . .	12 bushels
Swiss Chard . . . . .	30 bushels
Beets . . . . .	12 bushels
Carrots . . . . .	85 bushels
Cucumbers . . . . .	38 bushels
Cabbage . . . . .	2,000 pounds
Asparagus . . . . .	48 bushels
Rhubarb . . . . .	10 bushels
Radishes . . . . .	75 bunches
Spinach . . . . .	34 bushels
Strawberries . . . . .	600 quarts
Broccoli . . . . .	12 bushels

Peas .....	30 bushels
Onions .....	35 bushels
Peppers .....	8 bushels
Shell Beans .....	20 bushels
Tomatoes .....	43 bushels
Corn .....	475 dozen
Muskmelons .....	600
Watermelons .....	300
Cauliflower .....	3 bushels

*Meats:*

Beef dressed and consumed .....	16,197 pounds
Pork dressed and consumed .....	12,339 pounds
Veal dressed and consumed .....	551 pounds

*Dairy Products:*

Milk produced .....	481,353 pounds
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*Poultry Products:*

Eggs .....	5,640 dozen
Fowl .....	2,391 pounds

*Grain Products:*

Wheat .....	12,370 pounds
Corn .....	4,800 pounds

*Other Crops:*

Hay - first cutting .....	235 tons
Hay - second cutting .....	35 tons
Grass silage .....	550 tons
Corn silage .....	250 tons
Grass chopped and fed green .....	200 tons

*Miscellaneous:*

Wood .....	15 cords
Lumber .....	29,000 feet

**PRISONERS SENTENCED TO THE HOUSE OF  
CORRECTION FOR THE FOLLOWING DURING  
THE YEAR 1955**

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Aggravated Assault .....	1
Assault .....	8
Attempted larceny .....	2
Breaking the peace .....	3
Breaking, Entering, & Larceny .....	1
Cheating & defrauding .....	2
Concealment of stolen goods .....	1
Contempt .....	7
Contributing to delinquency of minor .....	1
Destroying property .....	1
Disobeying Game Laws .....	2
Disorderly conduct .....	2
Drunk .....	38
Escape from House of Correction .....	2
Falsifying statement .....	1
Held .....	113
Intent to cheat and defraud .....	1
Keeping disorderly house .....	1
Larceny .....	27
Lascivious conduct .....	3
Motor vehicle violations .....	43
Non-support .....	3
Procuring alcoholic beverage for minor .....	1
Selling liquor without license .....	2
Statutory rape .....	1
Vagrancy .....	5
Violation of probation .....	1

Another busy year has passed in the operation of the County Home. The census report shows a continuing increase in the number of patients, especially in the category of chronic cases. This substantiates the need expressed the country over for more chronic hospital bed space. Our study of the facilities at the Infirmary and Inmates Home is progressing, and it is hoped that by the end of another year we will have something concrete with respect to long range plans.

Our farming operations have run along on about a normal basis. Working in cooperation with the soil conservation, the terracing of the crop land has been completed. Our first year of their use has proved their value. In order that greater productivity may be realized on our limited crop land, a farm pond was established, thereby making water available for irrigation. We feel that this is good insurance for an adequate crop to meet our needs on reduced acreage.

We would like to express our appreciation for the very fine cooperation extended us by the agencies of the Agricultural Extension Service under James Purington County Agent, Wendell Parker Soil Conservation, and Dean Sanborn Agricultural Stabilization Conservation Program.

In our opinion an organization such as this is very dependent upon its employees who perform their respective duties efficiently and conscientiously over the years. We are very much aware of the fact that because time flies so fast we are apt to take for granted the real worth of the loyalty and dependability of their continued service. We would like to recognize the following employees in the respective categories of five, ten, and fifteen years of continuous employment.

*Over 5 years*

Elton Allen, Plant foreman  
Willie Bernier, Farm hand & butcher  
Egerton Bloom, Turnkey  
Edward Campbell, Turnkey  
Milton Pickard, Ass't. Boss Farmer  
Katharine Sanborn, R.N.  
Ruth Walters, Bookkeeper  
Russell Waterman, Boss Farmer  
Lester Weair, Fireman  
Charles Willey, Chief Fireman

*Over 10 years*

Lloyd Hartford, Jailer

*Over 15 years*

Dr. Fred Fernald  
Joseph Parks, Laundryman

We are extremely grateful for the increased interest and participation of the various clubs, organizations, churches, and individuals in the county contributing Christmas gifts, parties, tray favors for holidays, visits, church services, and all other thoughtful and kind things for our family here. These contributions may at the time seem trivial to the individuals, but taken as a whole, they have added immeasurably to the happiness of our people.

Our pleasant relationships with the several county and state agencies with whom we work have contributed to the harmonious operation of the institution.

To the County Commissioners we wish to express our gratitude for their continued confidence, guidance, and help in the conduct of the affairs of the County Home.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY F. HILTON, *Matron*  
GEORGE W. HILTON, *Supt.*



**PHYSICIAN'S REPORT**

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*To the Honorable Board of Commissioners  
of Rockingham County:*

At the end of another year, I am pleased to report that the sanitary condition of the Infirmary and all the other buildings is good. We have more of the very old and very sick patients, and the number is constantly growing larger.

I wish to express my thanks to the Board of Commissioners, Mr. and Mrs. Hilton, and to the nurses and other help for their cooperation and fine care of the sick.

FRED FERNALD, M.D.

### ANNUAL STATISTICS

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#### INMATES AND PATIENTS AT ROCKINGHAM COUNTY HOME AND HOSPITAL

Total Census, January 1, 1955 .....	131
Total Admissions .....	151
Total Discharges .....	153
Total Census, December 31, 1955 .....	129
Deaths .....	60
Total Inmate Days .....	47,097
Daily Average Inmates .....	129
Highest Census .....	140
Lowest Census .....	121
Daily Average — Inmates Home .....	26.3
Daily Average — Infirmary .....	61.5
Daily Average — Mitchell Hospital .....	40.9

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#### ROCKINGHAM COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION

Total Prisoner Days .....	8,614
Total Prisoners, January 1, 1955 .....	27
Total Admissions .....	231
Total Discharges .....	238
Total Prisoners, December 31, 1955 .....	20
Average Daily Census .....	23.6
Highest Daily Census .....	32
Lowest Daily Census .....	14

## Inmates At Rockingham County Home For Year 1955

Name	Age	Where From	Time Supported	
			Weeks	Days
Arnold, Robert	24	Portsmouth	15	2
Back, Minnie G.	80	Northwood	3	
Barlow, Thomas E.	28	Exeter		7
Bayarshuck, Peter	85	Portsmouth	52	1
Beaudin, Peter	69	Derry	52	1
Beede, Fred	82	Portsmouth	35	4
Bernier, Alphonse	56	Salem	52	1
Biladeau, Angeline	83	Newmarket	52	1
Boleo, Anthony	62	Portsmouth	52	1
Bowley, Viola	83	Exeter	26	2
Brown, Carrie	68	Portsmouth	52	1
Brown, Charles W.	32	Derry	6	6
Bryant, Frank	83	Chester	52	1
Busch, Cecile	45	Portsmouth	3	2
Chamberlain, Helen	43	Portsmouth	49	5
Chase, Alice	82	Northwood	52	1
Corliss, James	54	Newmarket	4	4
Deshaies, Henry	76	Portsmouth		5
Fontaine, Leroy	25	Portsmouth	10	4
Fournier, Henry	86	Salem	15	4
Fowler, Joan	16	Seabrook		2
Fuller, Carrie	88	Newton	18	2
Gaudette, Cecelia	48	Raymond	4	1
Gobbi, Mary	49	Portsmouth	47	4
Grammer, Ellen	42	Portsmouth	52	1
Hartford, Helen	36	Greenland	51	
Hapgood, Carroll	57	Portsmouth	1	3
Houghton, Julia	72	Exeter	52	1
Hyde, Jeremiah	63	Brentwood		8
Johnson, David	72	Derry	52	1
Johnson, Frank	66	Portsmouth	52	1
Kenny, Orvil	54	Hampton Falls	49	6

### Inmates At Rockingham County Home For Year 1955

Name	Age	Where From	Time Supported	
			Weeks	Days
Lewis, William E.	60	Derry	2	4
Libby, Joseph	26	Portsmouth		4
Loughlin, Thomas	57	Portsmouth	7	5
Malyszko, John	80	Salem	52	1
McNiel, Peter	58	Portsmouth	13	
Meade, Mabelle	77	Exeter	26	1
Moore, Anthony	64	Exeter		5
Morrisette, Leonel	42	Portsmouth	9	
Normandin, Paul	81	Candia	52	1
Odie, Mabel	65	Salem	52	1
Olson, John	80	Stratham	52	1
OSSIPSHUCK, Roman	71	Portsmouth	34	1
Patterson, Harland	43	Portsmouth	33	2
Potvin, Homer C.	50	Portsmouth	3	
Prince, Robert	62	Portsmouth	6	5
Ready, George	48	Portsmouth	52	1
Riley, Edward	67	Salem	52	1
Sanfacon, Louis	84	Derry	17	3
Scott, Charles S.	63	Portsmouth	3	2
Sheridan, William	78	Portsmouth	51	
Spaulding, Albert	69	Rye	52	1
Spoffard, Reginald	54	Portsmouth	6	5
Stack, Sandra	13	Northwood Narrows		4
Sullivan, Ernest	58	Epping	10	2
Thompson, Jessie	48	Londonderry	5	2
Union, John	72	Portsmouth	22	1
Vachon, Elizabeth	60	Exeter	38	1
Woodward, Mabel	57	Epping	1	
Willis, Peter	77	Exeter	28	5
Wilson, Harry	76	Seabrook	52	1

**Town Boarders at Rockingham County Home  
For Year 1955**

Name	Age	Where From	Time Supported	
			Weeks	Days
Andrews, George	33	Exeter	1	5
Austin, Albert	79	Newfields	52	1
Beliveau, Eva	57	Salem		2
Beliveau, Henry	78	Newmarket	32	2
Bergeron, Henry	71	Newmarket		6
Butler, Frank	84	Salem	52	1
Callear, Cecelia	51	Portsmouth	52	1
Carver, Alice	64	Exeter	16	5
Charter, Clifford	46	Candia		2
Coffey, James	59	Hampton Falls	24	
Cooper, Edward	83	Stratsam	11	1
Corson, Catherine	78	Exeter	27	6
Crabbe, Roxie	69	Derry	49	3
Cram, Arthur	74	Raymond	22	6
Croteau, Alphonse	71	Exeter	9	1
Day, Clarence	60	Exeter	46	3
Dearborn, Earl	84	Candia	4	
Desjardin, Louis	80	Northwood	4	5
Dow, Frederick	82	Newfields		5
Duic, Franc	62	Portsmouth	52	1
Dupras, Doris	38	Portsmouth	44	1
Eaton, George	85	Seabrook	48	1
Elliott, Franklin	70	Raymond	40	3
George, Bessie	79	Newton	52	1
Giles, Charles	83	Stratham	2	2
Green, Newton	82	Nottingham	29	1
Hunt, Sarah	74	Plaistow	6	6
Johnson, Fred	73	Exeter	14	4
Kelly, Ernest	46	Kingston	52	1
Kent, Everett	57	Salem	4	3
King, John J.	66	Salem		1
Knight, Benjamin	74	Kensington	52	1
Knowles, Forrest	78	Seabrook	15	2



**Town Boarders at Rockingham County Home  
For Year 1955**

Name	Age	Where From	Time Supported	
			Weeks	Days
Mannit, Robert	41	Portsmouth	52	1
McMorris, Annie	86	Derry	19	5
Norton, Willis	50	Portsmouth	3	3
Novak, Katherine	58	Derry	5	4
Ouellette, Joseph	90	Epping	4	4
Peoa, Joseph	85	Newfields		1
Pettingill, Leda	53	Atkinson	38	6
Philbrick, Frank	78	Hampton	45	1
Rand, Margaret	51	Deerfield	5	4
Rollins, Leon B.	77	Epping	1	1
Rowe, Atwood	71	Newton	15	
Rowe, Kenneth	59	Newton	36	2
Riley, James W.	70	Exeter	39	1
Sawyer, Robert	50	Kensington	3	4
Thompson, Ralph	54	Newton	3	1
Walsh, Gerald	57	Portsmouth	32	5
Walton, Isabelle P.	67	Epping	3	

**Prisoners at Rockingham House of Correction  
For The Year 1955**

Name	Age	Court Committed		Time Supported	
		from	Offense	Weeks	Days
Abrahams, Carl	27	Newcastle	Larceny	3	6
Adams, William	24	Superior	Larceny	30	4
Andrews, George	33	Exeter	Drunk		3
Andrews, George	33	Exeter	Drunk	9	1
Andrews, George	33	Superior	Larceny	9	6
Archambeault, Robert	18	Seabrook	m. v. Violation	3	6
Badger, Chester, Jr.	41	Portsmouth	Drunk	25	3
Badger, Chester, Jr.	41	Portsmouth	Drunk	14	6
Barlow, Thomas	27	Exeter	Op. m. v. under influence	8	
Bean, Francis	33	Portsmouth	Non-support	24	3
Bedell, Henry R.	22	Portsmouth	Op. m. v. under influence	6	5
Bedell, Henry R.	22	Portsmouth	Procuring and deliver- ing to a minor alco- holic beverages	5	4
Beers, Sydney	26	Superior	Contempt	15	
Bernier, Richard J.	28	Superior	Contempt		4
Berry, Randall	39	Exeter	Assault	11	4
Bolduc, Joseph	28	Exeter	Desertion & non- support		3
Brooks, Norman L.	28	Newcastle	Larceny	13	2
Brown, Percy T.	61	Exeter	Vagrant	7	6
Burnett, Joshua	69	Portsmouth	Drunk	21	4
Burns, Gilford	68	Derry	Larceny	4	3
Burns, Gilford	68	Derry	Escaping	12	3
Burns, Gilford	68	Derry	Larceny		1
Bushway, John	41	Derry	Lascivious behavior	19	6
Carter, John R., Jr.	21	Portsmouth	1. Op. m. v. under influence 2. Op. m. v. of another w/o consent	4	4
Chartier, Joseph M.	24	Derry	Theft	2	1
Chase, Hazel Louise	21	Portsmouth	Larceny	5	5
Cicerone, Henry K., Jr.	26	Portsmouth	Breaking the peace	11	5
Corcoran, Dennis J.	47	Superior	Contempt	13	6

**Prisoners at Rockingham House of Correction  
For The Year 1955 — Continued**

Name	Age	Court Committed		Time Supported	
		from	Offense	Weeks	Days
Corliss, James	54	Superior	Contempt	7	3
Currier, Herbert, Jr.	18	Epping	Statutory rape	6	1
Day, George W.	51	Derry	Larceny	11	2
Dennison, Stanley	20	Portsmouth	While op. m. v. refused to stop when signaled by police officer		7
Desrosiers, Peter	40	Epping	Did allow unlicensed person to op. m. v. in his charge	1	3
Dionne, Roland L.	31	Epping	Op. m. v. not reg.		1
Donnell, Russell W.	22	Salem	1. Op. m. v. not reg 2. Op. m. v. after license suspended	4	
Dow, Joseph	43	Portsmouth	Keeping disorderly house	12	1
Dubois, Paul	27	Newcastle	Larceny	12	1
Dumont, George	57	Epping	Drunk	7	6
Dunn, Milton R.	30	Portsmouth	Op. m. v. under influence	3	6
Durand, Emil	44	Portsmouth	Drunk	7	4
Dustin, Clinton	53	Superior	Contempt	27	6
Eaton, Alton	50	Epping	m. v. violation		1
Fessenden, Philip	23	Portsmouth	Disorderly conduct	3	5
Gage, David A.	42	Superior	Contempt	18	3
Gibson, Wendell A.	25	Derry	Driving w/o license		7
Gingras, Robert	35	Superior	Contempt		2
Gonyer, Theodore P.	18	Superior	Leaving scene of accident	1	3
Goss, Henry Jr.	38	Exeter	Drunk	19	5
Grady, Dennis D.	22	Superior	Larceny	17	4
Grant, James A.	44	Hampton	Drunk	7	6
Grant, William, Jr.	21	Portsmouth	1. Making fake accid. report to m. v. dept. 2. Driving w/o license	2	6

**Prisoners at Rockingham House of Correction  
For The Year 1955 — Continued**

Name	Age	Court Committed from	Offense	Time Supported	
				Weeks	Days
Goode, Everett	30	Portsmouth	1. Op. m. v. in grossly careless & negligent manner.		
			2. Op. m. v. after li- cense suspended		
			3. While op. m. v. did refuse to stop when signalled by police officer.		
			4. Leaving scene of accident	19	2
Greenleaf, Andrew	26	Superior	Larceny	26	5
Griffin, Irving J.	38	Portsmouth	Drunk	7	6
Harrison, Edward	33	Superior	Larceny	12	5
Hartford, John T.	20	Superior	Assault	42	3
Hartford, Mitchell	19	Exeter	Op. m. v. under influence	1	3
Healey, Ralph	44	Epping	Op. m. v. under influence	2	1
Holderson, Richard	23	Portsmouth	Assault	23	4
Hollman, Ellsworth	24	Salem	Concealment of stolen goods	4	1
Hurteau, Alfred	23	Epping	1. Op. m. v. w/o license		
			2. Op. m. v. under influence	6	6
Hyde, Jeremiah	63	Derry	Vagrancy	7	6
Ingalls, William	27	Derry	Vagrancy	10	2
Jalbert, Eugene	53	Derry	Leaving scene of accident	8	
Johnson, Victor	35	Derry	Larceny	27	1
Kent, Richard A.	28	Newcastle	Larceny	4	
Kimball, Leslie J.	18	Portsmouth	Op. m. v. in grossly careless & negligent manner.	4	

**Prisoners at Rockingham House of Correction  
For The Year 1955 — Continued**

Name	Age	Court Committed from	Offense	Time Supported	
				Weeks	Days
LaBelle, Norman M.	25	Derry	1. Op. m. v. after li- cense susp. 2. Driving to en- danger	4	5
Lamarre, Eli	63	Exeter	Drunk	8	
LaMontague, Joseph	41	Derry	Selling liquor w/o license	8	1
LaMontague, Lucy	42	Derry	Selling liquor w/o license	8	1
Laramie, Henry L.	26	Exeter	Assault	4	
Laro, Paul A.	23	Epping	Op. m. v. w/o license	1	3
LeHouillier, Donat	54	Derry	Drunk	8	
Letourneau, Francis X.	60	Epping	Assault	9	1
Loughlin, Thomas	56	Epping	Drunk	5	5
Lucas, Callie	22	Auburn	Lascivious conduct	4	1
Macia, Lawrence	43	Derry	Larceny	4	
Manion, Robert M.	38	Portsmouth	Intent to cheat & defraud	1	
Mansur, George	20	Superior	B. E. & L. in night time	17	6
Marshall, Peter	17	Auburn	Mis-use of reg. plates	1	3
Matthews, Donald G.	20	Superior	Larceny	5	1
McCaffery, Charles	44	Portsmouth	Drunk	11	
McCoy, Edward	60	Exeter	Vagrant	5	5
Moody, Walter	23	Exeter	Contributing to de- linquency of minor	17	4
Murphy, James E.	30	Portsmouth	Assault	4	
Nay, Elmer F.	43	Plaistow	Drunk & disorderly, Disturbing peace	24	6
Nichols, Moses O.	43	Epping	Op. m. v. under influence		4
Norton, Willis	49	Portsmouth	Drunk	14	4
Norton, Willis	50	Portsmouth	Drunk	11	6
Novell, Lester	44	Portsmouth	Destroying property	24	5



**Prisoners at Rockingham House of Correction  
For The Year 1955 — Continued**

Name	Age	Court Committed from	Offense	Time Supported	
				Weeks	Days
Noyes, Joshua C.	53	Plaistow	Assault		1
Noyes, Richard L.	19	Plaistow	Non-support	2	5
Page, Henry	68	Epping	Drunk	15	4
Patterson, William	24	Portsmouth	Drunk	23	6
Perry, William E., Jr.	23	Newmarket	Attempted larceny	7	6
Picard, Raymond	53	Portsmouth	Drunk	7	6
Pickett, Charles	45	Newmarket	Drunk	7	6
Pickren, Norma	23	Portsmouth	Drunk	4	
Preston, Vernon R.	22	Exeter	Op. m. v. under influence		6
Randall, Boardman, Jr.	39	Portsmouth	Drunk	11	3
Reed, Walter	42	Newmarket	Drunk	7	6
Reynolds, Ira	29	Portsmouth	Drunk	9	4
Ricker, Richard	19	Superior	Lascivious behavior	5	1
Riley, Donald	19	Plaistow	Disobeying game laws		2
Riley, Leonard	18	Plaistow	Disobeying game laws		2
Roberts, Merton E.	47	Epping	Drunk	4	
Robertson, Mack	19	Salem	1. Op. m. v. with reg. plates assigned to another m. v. 2. Op. m. v. w/o license	5	
Rowe, William C.	24	Superior	Violation of pro- bation	24	1
Sargent, Wendell	66	Exeter	Drunk		3
Smart, George S.	34	Exeter	Drunk	6	1
Souther, Ephraim T.	24	Superior	Aggravated assault	11	6
Sweeney, Herman	54	Portsmouth	Op. m. v. under influence	2	6
Thompson, Ralph	54	Exeter	Vagrant	15	6
Tremblay, Charles P.	44	Derry	Drunk	7	6
Tremblay, Charles P.	44	Plaistow	Drunk	1	3
Tremblay, Charles P.	44	Plaistow	Drunk	11	2

**Prisoners at Rockingham House of Correction  
For The Year 1955 -- Continued**

Name	Age	Court Committed from	Offense	Time Supported	
				Weeks	Days
Troutman, Kenneth	17	Portsmouth	Op. m. v. after license suspended	13	
Troutman, Kenneth	17	Portsmouth	Op. m. v. after license suspended	13	1
Waye, Carl I.	27	Portsmouth	Larceny	7	6
Wells, Royal W.	31	Newcastle	1. Op. m. v. w/o license 2. Op.m. v. in grossly careless & negligent manner		1
Willette, Clarence	29	Newmarket	Attempted larceny	7	6
Withneck, Chester	45	Portsmouth	Larceny	11	6
Withneck, Chester	45	Portsmouth	Disorderly conduct	8	
Withneck, Chester	45	Portsmouth	Drunk	11	2
Woods, William H.	42	Portsmouth	Breach of peace	12	
Woodward, Frank, Jr.	24	Derry	Theft	13	6
Woodward, Frank, Jr.	24	Derry	Escaping	11	5
Wright, David	39	Portsmouth	Op. m. v. under influence	17	3
Wynters, John W., Jr.	24	Salem	1. Cheat & defraud 2. Cheat & defraud	4	5
Young, Howard E.	51	Seabrook	Falsifying statement	11	5



Declarants of Real Estate Taxes of the County

For the Year 1917 - Continued

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Property
James H. Brown	45	Male	Farmer	10000	5000
John A. Smith	52	Male	Farmer	8000	4000
William C. Jones	38	Male	Farmer	12000	6000
Robert L. White	41	Male	Farmer	9000	4500
Charles E. Black	47	Male	Farmer	11000	5500
Thomas M. Green	35	Male	Farmer	7000	3500
George F. Hall	50	Male	Farmer	13000	6500
Edward G. King	43	Male	Farmer	8500	4200
Frank J. Lee	39	Male	Farmer	9500	4700
Harold K. Miller	33	Male	Farmer	6000	3000
Arthur L. Wilson	48	Male	Farmer	10500	5200
Clarence N. Young	44	Male	Farmer	11500	5700
Walter O. Reed	37	Male	Farmer	7500	3700
Albert P. Cook	51	Male	Farmer	12500	6200
Samuel Q. Baker	46	Male	Farmer	9800	4900
John R. Adams	36	Male	Farmer	6500	3200
William S. Nelson	42	Male	Farmer	10200	5100
Charles T. Carter	49	Male	Farmer	11200	5600
George U. Evans	34	Male	Farmer	7200	3600
Robert V. Foster	53	Male	Farmer	13500	6700
Thomas W. Hill	40	Male	Farmer	8200	4100
William X. Scott	32	Male	Farmer	5500	2700
Harold Y. Green	47	Male	Farmer	10800	5300
Arthur Z. Baker	43	Male	Farmer	11800	5800
Clarence A. Young	38	Male	Farmer	7800	3900
Walter B. Reed	50	Male	Farmer	12800	6300
Albert C. Cook	45	Male	Farmer	9300	4600
Samuel D. Baker	35	Male	Farmer	6200	3100
John E. Adams	41	Male	Farmer	10100	5000
William F. Nelson	46	Male	Farmer	11100	5500
Charles G. Carter	39	Male	Farmer	7400	3700
George H. Evans	52	Male	Farmer	13200	6500
Robert I. Foster	44	Male	Farmer	8700	4300
Thomas J. Hill	37	Male	Farmer	6800	3400
William K. Scott	49	Male	Farmer	10400	5100
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